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The Royal Committee of Inquiry report practically declares that the Home Office officials who dealt with the case lacked the necessary legal training to discover and state a miscarriage of justice.—(London Stereoscopic.)

SIR FORREST FULTON, K.C.



He tried Mr. Beck the first time. The Committee's report says that if he had consented to "state a case," as Mr. Gill asked him, Mr. Beck might have been spared his martyrdom.—(Elliott and Fry.)

MR. BECK'S CHAMPION.



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Right Hon. Sir Richard Henn Collins, chairman of the Beck Inquiry Committee.—(Russell.)

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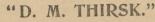
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BECK REPORT.

"No Shadow of Foundation for the Charges."

CRIMINAL APPEAL.

Commissioners Exonerate Police and Recommend Slight Change of Law.

HOME OFFICE CENSURED.

Sir Forrest Fulton Comes in for Strong Comment.

The report of the Beck Inquiry was issued yes-

The Commissioners arrived at the following conclusions : -

1. There is not a shadow of foundation for any charges made against Mr. Beck.

2. Sir Forrest Fulton is severely con demned for his conduct of the first trial as Common Serieant.

3. The action of the police has been perfectly correct throughout.

4. The Home Office is held responsible for the mistake which led to Mr. Beck's continued detention in prison, and indirectly by the retention of evidence in its possession it led to his re-arrest and conviction.

5. The system at the Home Office requires ravision.

6. The responsibility for the treatment of Mr. Beck in prison as a previously convicted person rests entirely with the prison authorities.

7. The establishment of a Court of Appeal is held to be unnecessary.

8. The conviction of the innocent can be provented by a simple change in the law.

Sir Richard Henn Collins and his distinguished colleagues, Sir Spencer Walpole and Sir John Edge, presented their conclusions in a ponderous

The culpable persons in our judicial system have had their blunders pointed out in an unmistakable manner. The Master of the Rolls has not even spared one of the eminent Judges who convicted Mr. Beck, but has told Sir Forrest Fulton in strenuous language what the Commissioners

HISTORY OF THE INJUSTICE.

How It Came That Beck Was Twice Wrongly Convicted.

For a complete understanding of the report it is necessary to give a brief résumé of the facts which led to Beck, a respectable man, being condemned for frauds on girls committed by another.

The primary cause of the miscarriage of justice, according to the Committee, was the neglect of the then Governor of Portland in 1886, to furnish the fact that John Smith (Beck's "double," in whose place he suffered) was a Jew and Mr. Beck was not. He found it out in 1879, but did not note it.

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In 1896 Beck's arrest took place. A few days afterwards the police had information that Beck was really the exconvict Smith. Mr. Sims, acting for the Public Prosecutor, was directed to test the Identification of the prisoner by the usual means.

The identification "marks" were received by Mr. Beck and the order of the prisoner was to have been used to rebust the evidence of identification given by with the evidence of identification given by with the evidence of identification given by with the prison of the prison.

But this examination, but could find no resemblance between Mr. Beck and Smith.

But this examination was not official; it was only mentioned verbally to a superior, and was forgotten, or regarded as biassed.

The trial (says the report) was misconducted by the Judge, and Mr. Beck went to prison.

Misfortune still pursued him at his second trial. Permission was refused for a postponement to

Gusty northerly breezes; sleet and wet To-Day's Weather (Lighting-up time, 4.56 p.m. Sea passages snow at times; fair and frosty intervals.)

Beck's counsel was unaware that the mistaken

identity had been proved.

The prison authorities and the Home Office kept to themselves the material evidence they possessed. So he was convicted again.

HOME OFFICE AND THE CASE.

What They Did and What They Ought To Have Done.

Now for the Home Office's share in the trans action. In 1898, when Mr. Beck was petitioning from Portland for release, the Home Office, says the report, handled the case in a defective fashion.
They had evidence that Smith was a Jew and
that Mr. Beck was not.
They had evidence that Mr. Beck's handwriting
was not identical with that of the incriminating

documents this evidence before Sir Forrest Fulton for his opinion in such a fashion that he regarded it merely as a suggestion from Mr. Beck's solition. Steps were not taken to compare the documents in the two cases. If the Home Office and the Central Criminal Court had worked properly together this could not have inappened.

In view of these facts the Commission make an emphatic recommendation that cases at the Home Office ought to be dealt with entirely by trained lawyers, and not by a series of lay subordinates, as now. Had this been so the Beck case would never have occurred.

"PERHAPS UNWARRANTED."

Are Identification Marks Used Only to Secure Conviction?

The Commissioners, while not blaming the Public Prosecutor or Mr. Sims, his subordinate, for derection of duty, yet comment upon the way they do heir business.

their business. They cannot understand, for instance, how all available records of the two men, Mr. Beck and Smith, were not compared in 1898.

"The neglect to take this course," says the report, "tends to create an impression—though perhaps an unwarranted one—that identification marks are used only to secure the conviction and not to establish the innocence of a prisoner."

COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEAL

Not Wanted-" A Simple Change in Law" Will Do.

"In our opinion," says the report, "so far as any miscarriage in point of law is concerned, adequate protection for incocent persons can be secured without the erection of a new Court of Appeal."

The Commissioners suggest that for the protection of the innocent "a very simple change in the law" is all that is needed.

Procedure should be adopted whereby a Judge might be compelled to state a case for retrial by the Court for Crown Cases Reserved.

"And," concludes the report, "though it is possibly beyond our province to suggest it, may not the time have come for abolishing the anomaly of pardoning a man who never ought to have been convicted, and a simpler remedy adopted?"

SIR FORREST FULTON'S PART.

Strong Comments on the Judge's Action at the First Trial.

Sir Forrest Fulton is strongly spoken of for his action at the first trial, when he sat at the Central Criminal Court as Common Serjeant.

Mr. Gill, Mr. Beck's counsel, was anxious to introduce handwriting evidence which showed clearly that the man Smith, convicted of similar offences in 1877, was an entirely different person.

Mr. Avory, for the Crown, objected. Sir Forrest Fulton ruled that such evidence was inadmissible.

Therefore, says the report, Mr. Beck was convicted on evidence from which everything that told or might be thought to tell in his favour was excluded. His case was never tried.

MR. BECK BEAMS.

Well Pleased by the Report, but Will Not Discuss It.

The effect of the Commissioners' findings was first communicated to Mr. Beck by the Daily

Mirror.

He had just returned to his chambers from an interview with Mr. Sims, and a Daily Mirror lay on his table.

The martyr listened to the story of the Commissioners' findings with eager interest, occasionally removing his cigarette to make a monosyllabic

omment.
His beaming countenance betokened his suprementisfaction that his innocence had been finally indicated.

satisfaction that his innocence had been finally vindicated.

But Mr. Beck was not disposed to talk.

"I reserve absolutely any comment until I have thoroughly studied the whole report," he said.

KING CARLOS IN TOWN.

Attends Opera on His Return from Chatsworth.

The King of Portugal's pleasing visit to Chatsworth came to an end yesterday.

The snow-clad country glistened in bright sun-shine when King Carlos and Queen Amelia drove in an open carriage with postillions and outriders from the Duke of Devonshire's stately seat

Having bid adieu to their hostess, the Duchess of Devonshire, their Majesties were accompanied to Rowsley station by the Duke and the Portuguese

to Rowsley strion by the Duke and the Portuguese Ambassador, the Marquis de Soveral.

For some minutes Queen Amelia conversed from the carriage window with the Duke of Devonshire, shaking her host's hand with a heartiness that bespoke regret for the end of a happy holiday.

The King and Queen reached St. Pancras by special train at 2.65, and the large crowd that welcomed them gave proof of their popularity.

The royal couple and suite drove to Buckingham Palace in closed carriages. At various points on the way they were recognised and saluted by the populace.

In the evening King Carlos and his queen, with

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In the evening King Carlos and his queen, with whom were the Prince and Princess of Wales, attended the opera.

The performance consisted of three selections—the third act of "Bohéme," in which Alice Nielsen and Signor Dani were the chief attractions; the second act of "Tosca," with Mme. Giachetti's brilliant rendering of the title-rôle; and the second act of "Otello," in which Mme. Giachetti' and M. Maurel sang.

At the close of the performance the Portuguese and British national anthems were played.

MORE RHODESIAN GOLD.

Prospects of Another Valuable Area Being Opened Up.

Sir William Millon, Administrator of Southern Rhodesia, has informed the British South Africa Company that a second consignment of gold, amounting to eleven ounces, has been received from

amounting to eleven themes, as a result of the alluvial aree, containing nuggets superior to the first lot.

Half of this consignment is being forwarded to London—through the Standard Bank of South Africa, Ltd.

He also states that the prospector of the area now being worked has offered to point out a further area of 24 square miles situated on running water. Stringent rules have already been framed in anticipation of a rush.

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DEATH, REBELLION, AND STORM.

Exciting Voyage of a British Ship Half Round the World.

A London full-rigged ship, the Rhone, has arrived at Philadelphia after a voyage from Calcutta full

The captain, Henry G. Struss, died suddenly in his cabin while looking at a photograph of

his cabin while looking at a photograph of a London lady to whom he was to be married at the end of the voyage.

John Munday was killed by falling from aloft to the deck, after the ship left Calcutta.

Two days out from Guadaloupe six negro stowaways, armed with clubs containing spikes, were found on board. A fight ensued, the negroes being eventually overpowered and placed in irons until the arrival of the ship in port.

Off Cape Hatteras the Rhone encountered a hurricane which blew the sails into ribbons, and the vessel narrowly escaped foundering.

EARTHQUAKE IN BERKS.

Distinct shocks of earthquake, accompanied by a rumbling noise, were felt about mid-day yester-day in the neighbourhood of Newbury. The earth was felt to tremble and walls of houses were

shaken.

At the village of Kingsclere plates were shaken from racks and panes of glass from windows, and many people ran out of their houses in fear, Several ornaments also fell off a cottage mantelpiece at Donnington.

Lord Curzon sailed yesterday from Marseilles by the P. and O. steamer Persia for Bombay.

The Australian Commonwealth Defence Scheme put forward by Mr. McCay, Minister of Defence was passed yesterday in the Federal House of Re presentatives, says Reuier.

PORT ARTHUR

Main Forts To Be Taken at Any Cost.

PASSING THROUGH SUEZ.

According to the Associated Press of Washing ton, the Japanese were yesterday ordered to renew the attack upon Port Arthur, and to take the main fortifications at any cost.

Definite and reliable information as to the present situation there has at last come to hand.

The only permanent forts in possession of the Japanese are the two Pan-lung forts, captured in

Lists published in Tokio show that the losses sustained in the capture of these forts were ex-ceptionally heavy. They totalled 14,400 in all, in-cluding 550 officers, of whom 200 were killed out-

right. The besiegers also hold advance works of Erllungshan, the redoubt called Kuropatkin Fort, the entrenched hill miscalled P Fort, Kobu Hill, Sachitakiyama, and 174 Metre Hill. They also occupy the caponiere galleries and mosts of the two Ehrlung and North Keckwan forts.

The sailors on the blockading squadron are look-ing forward with lively anticipation to the arrival of the Baltic Fleet, which has accomplished the passage of the Suez Canal without mishap.

CLEAR THE WAY.

Suez Canal Traffic Suspended for Baltic Fleet.

Vesterday morning the second division of the Baltic Fleet began the passage of the Suez Canal. All other traffic was suspended for the time, and the warships, which were towed, had the narrow strip of water to themselves.

M. Maximoff, the diplomatic agent, and Captain Schwanke, naval attaché, accompanied the squadron on board the flagships.

The destroyers, which made the passage under steam, weat straight through the canal, and waited at Suez for the larger vessels.

The latter anchored in the Bitter Lakes, a little more than halfway through the canal, during the night.

UP-TO-DATE WARFARE.

Extensive Orders of Submarines by Both Nations.

PARIS, Friday .- A Tokio telegram published in the French papers to-day states that the five submarines which have arrived in Japan are but a mannes which have arrived in Japan are Due assumall portion of many of the Holland type that have been ordered from America.

St. Petersburg messages state that Russia or deterd thirty submarines from America, and that those sent to Vladivostok recently were a part of

stated that the vessels of the Baltic Fleet on board several submarines in sections. have on Exchange.

NORTH SEA INQUIRY.

Convention Signed at St. Petersburg Yesterday.

The Anglo-Russian Convention providing for an International Court of Inquiry was signed at St. Petersburg yesterday.

The signatories were Sir Charles Hardinge, British Ambassador to St. Petersburg, and Count Lamsdorff, Russian Minister for Foreiga Affairs. A meeting of the British Cabinet was also held yesterday at 10, Downing-street, the official residence of the Prime Minister.

WELSH COAL FOR JAPAN.

Orders for between forty and fifty thousand tons of best Welsh steam coal on Japanese account have been placed at Cardiff this week. These orders are quite apart from the regular buying for Japanese ports, and the cargoes are presumed to be destined for Admiral Togo's fleet, which is understood to be making special preparations in view of the approach of the Baltic Fleet.

MR. BALFOUR LEAVES HIS SICK-ROOM.

Mr. Balfour walked out for the first time vester day since his indisposition, and attended a meet ing of the Defence Committee in Whitehall-gar dens.

None too soon, the first meeting of the Central Committee formed to deal with the pressing unem-ployed problem in the metropolis was field at the Guildhall yesterday. Little was done beyond the initial formalities.

MIXED WEATHER.

Suffering from England Winter's Vagaries.

DEATHS AND ACCIDENTS.

Frost was general all over England and the greater part of the Continent yesterday morning.

At home the coldest readings were again in the south and Midlands. Manchester, 15; Oxford, 17; Bath, 21; London, 28.

At Edinburgh the thermometer stood at just above freezing-point, as it did at Wick (33), Holyhead (40), and Stornoway (39). In the Scilly Isles, on the extreme south-west coast, temperature was up to 40 degrees. There were 7 degrees of frost

up to 40 degrees. There were 7 degrees of frost at Paris and Munich, 6 degrees at Frankfort, while Calais and Berlin were at freezing-point.

During the day there was a general rise in temperature. In London the thermometer rose to 37 degrees, and the usual effect of a thaw, the turning of the streets into seas of mud, followed.

More Frost Expected.

More Frost Expedient.

Though the thermometer has risen a return of the frost is predicted, and England is still in the grip of winter. During the past twenty-four hours snow was reported from Scilly, Jersey, Aberdeen, and North Shields, and at 8 a.m., yesterday it was falling at Pembroke. There was also snow in

Berlin.

Hunting is completely stopped in the shires, the Quorn and other hunts not attempting to go out. In Leicestershire a partial thaw followed by a renewal of the frost turned the roads into sheets of ice, and many people were yesterday able to skate from village to village.

Some skating is taking place on shallow water in various parts of the country, but on deep water it is at present very unsafe.

WEATHER INCIDENTS.

'As a result of the exceptional weather the fol-lowing accidents and incidents are reported:— Communication along the roads of the Peak Dis

triet is still almost impossible.

An unknown workman was found frezen to death between Bamford and Ashopton, near Darricgton. At Tansley, a Derbyshire village, all the day schools were closed.

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Tobogganing is being indulged in on Hampstead leath, and many sleighs have been seen.

A 28in. water main burst in Bradford, raised the totway, and tore up the road, which was flooded at foot deep. Tramway traffic was stopped.

Postmaster-General in Snowdrift.

Lord Stanley, Postmaster-General, while on his way to be made an hon, member of the House of Derby Lodge, Nottingham, Order of Oddrellows, Horwich, got stuck in a snowdrift, and had to wire asking that the ceremony should be postponed.

Near Buxton a doctor got fast in a snowdrift, and had to be dug out by a rescue party.

Forty-four schools in the Bradford district were

A man named Homer Howden (fifty-five) was Jound dead in the snow near Barnard Castle. The barque Alcide, of Nantes, bound for New-eastle, foundered. The crew were saved.

Richard Parker, of the smack Britannia, was washed overboard off Spurn Head and drowned, and many other accidents by sea are reported, particularly on the east coast.

At Manchester, 100 unemployed, put on to clear the tram lines, struck, finding the work too hard. One hundred strong navvies will be picked to-day.

There were 14 degrees of frost at Hampton Court, and the Long Water was frozen over.

On the Prince of Wales's Pier at Dover, yester-day, ironwork an inch and a half thick was split by Irost. An electric cable on the pier was also broken from the same cause.

Last night's frost was very severe in South incolnshire. Agricultural work is at a standstill, nd many men are consequently out of employ-

SCOTTISH CHURCH WAR.

It is stated that a communication has been re-ceived from Mr. Graham Murray, Secretary for Scotland, by both the United and Free Churches, proposing, by consent of the parties, the appoint-ment of a commission to at once take evidence to enable the Government to bring in a Bill when Parliament meets for the permanent settlement of

Humanish method the question.

At a general assembly of the Presbyterian Church of New Zealand held at Wellington, New Zealand says Reuter, a worse of sympathy with the United Free Church was passed.

NEW RIVER MILLIONS.

It is announced that the New River Company has been awarded £6,534,000 in Water stock as the pur-chase-price of the water undertaking transferred to the Metropolitan Water Board

MADDENED BY FERVOUR.

Weak Minds Overbalanced by the Welsh Revival.

The dangers of the fervid exaltation attending religious revivals such as that being led by th young collier-preacher in Wales were forcibly illus-

Early in the morning the Llanelly police arrested and locked up a married man who was found at large and considered dangerous. It appears that the imfortunate man's mind became unhinged at a revivalist meeting, and since his wife also has

lost her reason.

At Ammanford and Loughor (where the revival

Nat Ammanford and Loughor (where the revival storted) three other similar cases of religious mania have occurred and the victims are under restraint at their homes.

Opportunely enough there appears a note in this week's "Lancet," written before these cases occurred, which points out the danger.

Referring to a description of Mr. Evan Roberts, the revivalist, and the visions he speaks of, the medical journal says:—

"This is a picture which can hardly fail to excite concern on the part of the preacher's friends, and if these include any medical practitioners it would be true kindliness on their part to point out to him the peril which menaces his intellectual equilibrium.

"Nearly fifty years ago Wales was shaken by similar hysterical outbursts initiated by one Humphrey Jones, of whom it is quaintly recorded that "through some inscrutable decree of Providence" he broke down and eventually reached a lunatic

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asylum."

Mr. Evan Roberts, who has for weeks been preaching with hardly any sleep and very little food, is showing signs of exhaustion, and has been obliged to keep a meeting waiting for some hours.

PATIENTS UNDER CANVAS.

Smallpox Sufferers to Face Winter's Rigours in Tents.

Alone, or nearly alone, among English towns, Dewsbury has a populous smallpox colony. The epidemic is described by our correspondent as the worst that has visited any one part of this country

for many years.

The whole "heavy" woollen district is involved.
To face the rigours of winter a large number of
the patients are to be placed in canvas tents two
miles from the town, forming a sort of smallpox

camp.

This precaution is being adopted in consequence of the carelessness of the relatives of patients in visiting affiliated houses.

In one instance a house party was found by the sanitary officials celebrating a christening in the rows where the mether lay !!! with smallpox.

To such negligence as this the spread of the disease is attributed.

MAIL-BAG RIFLED.

Daring Daylight Robbery at an Oxfordstreet Post Office

A smart and daring mail-bag robbery has been committed in daylight at the branch post office in the shop of Messrs. Rose and Co., g ocers, Oxford-street, a stone's-strow from the Tube station. It seems to have been a well-planned theft. While Postman E. Smith went to the door of the shop to call a cab to convey the mail-bags to the district office, the larger bag was opened and a smaller bag of registered letters abstracted. Though there were assistants and customers moving about the shop, no one observed the theft. It is believed that the thief must have been dressed up as a postman, so that his operations on the bag attracted no attention.

There were eight registered letters in the stolen bag, and a difficulty in tracing them is caused by the fact that the addresses of senders are not recorded.

CHEAP COTTAGES CRUSADE.

Legal Proceedings To Be Taken Against Mr. Justice Grantham.

The Chailey Rural Council are determined to prevent Sir William Grantham building cottages

prevent Sir William Grantham building cottages on his Barcombe estates.

At their meeting yesterday they expressed great indignation that Sir William should have recommenced building before his plans had been passed. After considerable discussion it was decided to take proceedings against Sir William at omce. Sir William has a judicial sympathiser.

A workman pleaded before Judge Addison yesterday that he could not pay a decib because nearly half his wages went in rent, whereupon Judge Addison remarked that it was a great shame that local bodies should impede people who were anxious to build.

The "Westmorland Gazette" announces, on Mr. quarrier Rigg's authority, that he will not be a party-to a three-cornered contest in North Westmorland.

EARL'S SEAT IN FLAMES.

Two Historic Mansions Ruined by Fire.

ESCAPES IN NIGHT ATTIRE.

Two historic English houses were attacked by fire in the small hours of yesterday morning. Enville Hall, near Stourbridge, the seat of the Earl of Stamford, was utterly destroyed, and Stanwell Place, Staines, the residence of Sir Charles Gibbons, was severely damaged, the flames mount ing so suddenly that the servants had to rush out into the snow in their night attire.

Enville Hall was a magnificent building, which was built many centuries ago by members of the Grey family, founders of the Earldom of Stamford. It contained many historic portraits, including a

It contained many historic portraits, including a famous one of the unfortunate Lady Jane Grey, and also many other valuable family heirlooms.

The Countess of Stamford left the Hall a few days ago to stay at Bradgate Park, Leicestershire, and only servarits were staying there. They discovered the outbreak between one and two yesterday morning.

Fire Brigade Helpless.

The alarm was at once given, and the Stour-bridge Fire Brigade was quickly on the scene The firemen directed their attention to saving the pictures and other heirlooms, and, watched by great crowds of people, the Hall burnt furiously through the day until long after noon, when the

of crashed in.

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The splendid hall is now a complete rum, only the charred walls remaining.

Just before the outbreak was discovered at Enville Hall the servants' wing of Stanwell Place, Staines, was found to be full of smoke, and a few minutes later flames were seen leaping from the

windows.

The maidservants, many of whom had retired for the night, rushed out shricking and shivering in their night attire. One of them, overcome by the smoke, was only roused with much difficulty, and all lost every scrap of their belongings.

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The other immates of the house, amongst whom were the members of a house-party, turned out and, headed by Sir Charles Gibbons and his son, Captain Gibbons, busied themselves with the fire appliances of the house and in removing the pictures and other valuables.

The fire brigade was summoned from Staines, but the ice-covered roads made it slow in covering the two miles between the town and Stanwell Place, and the same cause prevented the Hounslow Brigade from arriving on the scene.

The work of the firemen was rendered more dangerous by a tank of oil stored on the roof of the house, but the flames were eventually overcome, the damage done being estimated at £4,000.

Part of this mansion is very ancient, and Henry VIII, at one time lodged in it.

An alarming fire broke out early yesterday morning at the large confectionery works of Messrs. McDonald and McMillen in East Hill-street, Glasgow. Despite all the efforts of the firemen the entire building was des royed, the total loss being estimated at £01.000. There were seventy horses in the stables, but these were safely rescued.

BULLET-PROOF GHOST.

Spirit of a Conjuror Distresses a Village Dame.

The Somerset hamlet of Lufton, near Yeovil, is perturbed about a wild-eyed ghost that haunts a onely dwelling, where two old people live in great fear and trembling.

A gun has even been fired at the ghost, without in the least scaring it. The ghost came back the next night, grinning and ogling as merrily as

before.

An old lady who has seen it twice supplies a graphic account of the apparition. It had, she says, great red, watery eyes, and when she spoke, it only glared her out of countenance.

She believes the ghost to be the spirit of a conjuror, who, while living there, fell downstairs and broke his neck. He used to sleep in the room where mysterious raps are now heard almost nightly.

" WEEK-END TOYS."

At yesterday's meeting of Darracq and Co., the motor-car builders, the chairman said it would have been possible to have turned out for 1963 an 8-h.p. single-cylinder car for £150, but Mr. Darracq was convinced that such a car would prove hitle more than a week-end toy, and a source of infinite trouble to its owner.

The profus for the year amounted to £112,311, an increase of twelve per cent.

On account of the funeral to-day of Mr. Assheton Smith, of Vaynol Park, Carnarvon, the Dinorwic quarries on the estate will be closed, and each nam will receive \$6.5 and each boy \$6.5 in lieu of

A BRIGHT SUNDAY

is made brighter. and a dull Sunday made bright, by the reading of

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from everywhere in the thoroughly up-to-date Sunday Newspaper, the

WEEKLY DISPATCH

BOOTS FOR POOR CHILDREN.

Wanted for the Little Help Martyrs of London.

The response to the appeal made for "boots for bootless bairns" in the columns of the "Evening News" has been very gratifying. Six thousand pairs of boots have already been subscribed for.

But many more subscriptions are wanted, for some 32,000 pairs of boots are required.

The appeal was made as a result of exhaustive inquiries, which revealed a sadder state of affairs than has ever been known to exist in London

From figures which have been collected from all the principal schools in the metropolis the follow-ing has been compiled:—

Children with no boots, 2,590. Children with very bad boots, 29,94 Children with no breakfasts, 3,125.

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Three shillings are all that is necessary to provide the bootless with covering for their feet. Only 32,000 sums of 38.1

There is every indication that sufficient money will be subscribed. The only difficulty is—will it be forthcoming soon enough?

Cold and frosty weather has already set in. Therefore, those who wish to help should do so all letters and donestions.

All letters and donations should be addressed: "Boot Fund," "Evening News," 3, Carmelite House, E.C.

EX-QUEEN'S ROMANCE.

Deposed Ruler of Madagascar to Marry a French Advocate.

News comes from Paris that the ex-Queen Ranavolo of Madagascar is to marry M. Garnior, an advocate practising in the Algiers Appeal Court.

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Strange vicissitudes of fortune have been the lot of Kanavolo III. Niece of an Antananarivo butcher, although of royal blood. She never dreamed of becoming Queen of Madagascar. But in 1883 she was placed on the throne by the caprice of the then Prime Minister. At the times she was a young and handsome widow.

She married as her second husband her own Prime Minister, and reigned till, in 1896, Madagascar was made a French colony. Her second husband died not long afterwards.

In 1897 she was deported, and has since lived in Algiers, with occasional visits to Paris. She is forty-six years of age, slight and graceful in build, and pretty rather than handsome.

NO TASTE FOR TRAVELLED WINE.

Discovery's Surplus Bottles Bring No High Bids.

The weather-beaten wines from the Antarctic ship Discovery do not strongly appeal to the senti-ment of connoisseurs.

A further instalment of the surplus bottles was sold by auction at Christie's, yesterday, and the buyers almost got bargains on the market value.

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MR CARNEGIE OFFERS \$20,000.

Mr. Camegie, it is stated, has offered £20,000 to be used for building new free libraries in Birkenhead

DUEL OF WITS.

Smart Retorts Enliven the Hooley Case.

CLEVER WITNESS.

"Ah, you are not the first speculator who has been disappointed!"

As the words fell from his lips Mr. Rufus Isaacs sank back into his seat in the well of the Old Bailey Court. It was the parting shot of Mr. Hooley's leading counsel in his cross-examination of Mr. Alfred Paine, chief witness of the prosecu-

The battle-royal between the two had lasted for the best part of three days. It will long rank as one of the most notable cross-examinations in the

Ole of the most house cross-cannot be cold Bailey's history.

Never for one moment had the brilliant lawyer related his vigour or appeared at a loss amidst the labyrinth of figures involved in the case. No frace of hesitation ever appeared on the keen, almost ascetic, featur

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And in the square-set, sturdy little man in the witness-box he found an equally tireless and unflinching opponent. His resourcefulness was amazing. Each thrust of Mr. Isaacs's rapier was parried with a broadsword. If at times Mr. Paine seemed to lose his head in his excitement it was only momentary. The next instant he was calm, self-possessed, and watchful.

Much time was devoted to thrashing out a question as to &500, part of a cheque for £1,000, which Mr. Paine said was commission for cashing cheques.

el: You did get the full benefit of the

Connect.

Cheques?

Mr. Paine (blandly): Well, in a way. (Laughter.)

Nobody else would have given Lawson 4500 for a cheque at that time.

Rich Men Get Hard Up.

You want us to believe you got £500 for cashing a £1,000 cheque?—Yes, because he had all his money locked up. Rich men get hard up. You say rich men do this sort of thing?—Rich men will pay £1,000 for an accommodation for three months.

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hien will pay 21,000 for an accommount of three months. The Solicitor-General 1 That won't make Lawson any richer.

Questions were put by Mr. Isaacs with reference to a certain letter. "Were you," he asked, "in the habit of signing letters dictated by Hooley, whether right or wrong?"

Mr. Paine: Certainly not. You knew this letter to Mr. Lawson contained a distinct lie?—Yes, no doubt it was false. You continued on good terms with Hooley after this telling of lies?—Yes.

These lies did not terribly shock you?—No, I thought I was doing him a favour.

There was less fire about Mr. Lawson's cross-examination, and he was eminently serious. When it had closed the Public Prosecutor briefly re-examined, and the Court then adjourned until Monday.

BOOMING CANVEY ISLAND.

Purchasers Protest They Cannot Find Their Land.

Mr. Hester, who is "booming" Canvey Island, near Southend-on-Sea, as a pleasure resort, recovered, in Brentford County Court yesterday, several sums of money from purchasers of residential plots in the island.

Much amusement was caused by the efforts of

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Much amusement was caused by the efforts of
the defendants to escape their obligations.

One said that, when he drove over the island, he
could find no trace of the land he had purchased,
and coming back the water was up to the horse's
back, and he "had had his missus laid up" ever

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Another delendant said when he asked where his plots were he was given a pair of opera-glasses, and shown some fields seven miles away.

A professional gentleman, who said he had spent a day searching for the land, expressed the opinion that a balloon was the best means of reaching the island from the mainland.

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"COMFORTABLE COUPLE."

Some Money, a Will, and a Strange Paper.

A widow, Mrs. Kate Goodwin, is seeking in the Probate Division to prove that the will by which her late husband left her all his property, amounting to £600, is the document on which the estate should be administered.

Relatives of the late Mr. Goodwin allege that this will was drawn up under undue influence, and put will was drawn up under undue influence, and put forward one of earlier date by which Mrs. Goodwin would not benefit to such an extent.

Mrs. Goodwin stated that she met Mr. Goodwin, a widower with children, in 1891. He was then sixty-eight and she thirty-one.

Mr. Dickens, K.C.: Where did you meet Mr. Goodwin?—In Anerley. I went to him because he wanted a housekeeper.

When was marriage suggested?—I cannot say. It was love at first sight.

Love, madam?—Yes, love on his part. I thought we would be very comfortable together, and I liked him very much.

At this stage the following memorandum was produced:—

The will made by me leaving all to my wife was made at her instigation, and is not according to my wish. (Signed) W. R. GOODWIN. Sir Francis Jeune said that if it were a true docu-lent it would make an end of the case. The further hearing was adjourned till Tuesday.

HARMONY IN A FLAT.

Midnight Vocalist Enjoined to Cease His "Noises"

The twenty-two distracted neighbours of Mr. Victor Mullan heard with satisfaction, yesterday, Mr. Justice Warrington give a decision intended to prevent that gentleman from disturbing their peace in the future. They alleged that in the past he had practised scales until midnight, and that

he had practised scales until midnight, and that his voice at times sounded like the "howling of a mad dog,"

Mr. Mullan is a professional vocalist, and occupies a flat in Heath-mansions, Heath-street, Hampstend, At the instance of other residents the landlord, Mr. Charles Mathews, sought an injunction to vestrain Mr. Mullan from creating "noises" and the street of the street o

BEDROOM ARREST.

Transatlantic Trip Brought to Dramatic End.

Detectives vesterday escorted from Liverpool to London, for the purpose of extradition, the man

London, for the purpose of extradition, the man James Wallace, whose arrest on Thursday was ac-companied by dramatic details. He had arrived from America last Sunday, ac-companied by a young lady, and was suspected of having in his possession stolen letters of credit on Coutts's Bank, London, for £4,000. He was surprised in bed at the Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool, and the arresting officers gained posses-sion of a revolver he kept under his pillow before he realized the situation

sont of a recover he kept under his philow before he realised the situation.000 from a Liverpool bank by presenting a letter of credit, and this sum, together with £400 in American money, was found

ROBBERY FROM AN M.P.

How Large Thefts of Plate Are Encouraged.

A number of pawnbrokers were yesterday, severely censured by Mr. Curtis Bennett at Mary-lebone, when passing sentence of six months' imprisonment on James Wright, a butler.

Wright was charged with stealing from his master, the Hon. Claude George Hay, M.P., of Connaught-square, Hyde Park, jewellery and silver plate worth 4250.

The Hon. Claude Hay, it is

plate worth £250.

The Hon. Claude Hay, in his evidence, gave the accused man an excellent character, and expressed his opinion that extraordinary negligence had been shown by the pawnbrokers.

In this opinion the magistrate concurred, saying that these large plate robberies would seldom, if ever, take place but for the facilities afforded by the pawnbrokers.

PROPRIETY OF MUTOSCOPES

When the application for a music and dancing licence for the London Exhibitions Buildings, Earl's Court, came up yesterday before the London County Council, sitting as the licensing authority, the assurance was given that the licensee, Mr. Herman Hart, would exercise strict supervision over the characters and titles of pictures exhibited in mutoscope machines.

On this understanding the licence was granted.

LOVE'S SACRIFICE.

Remarkable Letter from an Err- Mrs. Long Has Something All ing Doctor-

Dr. Ducane, a married man, of Darwen, acted as medical adviser to Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor, of the same town

In February of this year the wife went to Southport for her health, and Mr. Taylor received the following remarkable letter from Dr. Ducane:

My Dear Taylor,—I cannot leave England without relieving you of anxiety as to the whereabouts of your wife. I have behaved, and am behaving, as the mean, low hound that I know myself to be to the man who has loved and trusted me in taking the wife of his bosom from him

and trusted me in taking the wife of his bosom from him.

But I love her as Christians are supposed to love their God, love her more than aught in earth or heaven, and would eagerly welcome the loss of your Christian heaven that I may possess the woman I love on earth. I cannot ask you to forgive me, but at least forgive her, for I am alone to blame.

I believe she has never been yours as she is mine now, and, though I hate myself that I should now hinty you, yet I love her and myself more than I do you (and you know what I have thought of you), and am ready to sacrifice everything—friendship, reputation, and salvation—for the sake of the woman I love.

Yesterday in the Divorce Court Mr. Taylor was granted a divorce and awarded £100 damages against Dr. Ducane, the co-respondent.

JUDGE AND COUNSEL

Mr. Danckwerts, K.C., Objects To Being Called Ridiculous.

Mr. Justice Ridley and Mr. Danckwerts, the wellknown K.C., had an extraordinary "tiff" in the

High Court yesterday. It began thus: —
Mr. Justice Ridley: You are the most unreasonable man I ever came across.

Mr. Danckwerts: If your lordship would only have a little patience instead of cutting me in half continually, you would hear what I have to say. Mr. Justice Ridley: You really are ridiculous. Mr. Danckwerts: Then I am ridiculous. Very

Here Mr. Danckwerts sat down, flushed and Mr. Justice Ridley: Perhaps you will continue,

Mr. Danckwerts.
Mr. Danckwerts (rising excitedly): I am not accustomed to being called ridiculous, and I won't

stand it.

Mr. Justice Ridley: You know you are if you behave like that. I ask you a question, and you get into a temper and refuse to answer it.

In the end the K.C. explained away the knotty point of procedure which had given rise to the squabble, and the case of Wilson v. Grant and Co. was permitted to proceed.

UNSUSPECTING HUSBAND.

Confidence Broken by the Confession of an Erring Wife.

Mr. Walter van Noorden, described as musical conductor to the Carl Rosa Opera Company, was ordered yesterday to pay £500 damages as corespondent in the divorce suit brought by Mr. Albert Stewart Rushden, a telegraphist in Bradford post office.

Neither respondent nor co-respondent defended the petition. It appeared that Mrs. Rushden possessed vocal talents, and at Christmas 1800, when the Carl Rosa Opera Company were at Bradford, met Mr. van Noorden. She afterwards travelled about to different places, and ultimately took small vocal parts.

word parts.

It was not till last February that Mr. Rushden had his suspicions raised that his wife had been unfaithful, and she then confessed that she had been guilty of misconduct with Mr. van Noorden. After formal evidence yesterday, Mr. Justice Barnes granted a decree nisi.

DEATH OF JIMMY MICHAEL.

New York, Friday.—Reports have been received by wireless telegraphy of the death on board the Transatlantic liner La Savoie of Jimmy Michael, the professional bicycle rider.—Reuter.

Michael was the Welsh butcher-boy, who created such a record as an infant prodigy some ten or twelve years ago. As a middle distance rider he was for a time quite the chámpion.

Mr. William Francis Collier, LL.D., author of the well-known school history of England, died at Belfast yesterday.

LADY'S SECRET CURE

the World Desires.

"MILLIONS IN IT."

A petite old lady, pleasant-looking and dresself like a grandmamma, entered Mr. Justice Law-rance's Court yesterday, and announced that she had made a discovery for which the world had been waiting for 1,500 years.

Millions of pounds, she added, had been offered in rewards for this discovery, and she considered she was entitled to reap these rewards.

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By slow degrees it became apparent that Mrs. Annie Long—that was the old lady's name—knew how to cure consumption by a choice blend of certain herbs, and without the aid of minerals. On the undesirability of minerals she was emphatic. She was bringing an action against Dr. Ezckied Boyd, who is an M.D. of Toronto, besides holding English qualifications, and she claimed damages against him on the ground that he had been guilty of the following breaches of faith with her:—He had divulged her consumption cure. He had failed to supply funds for a hospital at which the cure was to be put into operation. He had not introduced her cure to the Royal College of Surgeons.

He had surreptitiously used the cure himself with successful results.

Mrs. Long tripped up to the jury box, and peeped up at the jury quaintly from under her bonnet as she told them about all this in a plaintive voice. At intervals she tripped back to her place at the solicitors' table, complaining all the time, to get papers to quote from. papers to quote from.

Sir William Broadbent and the Cure.

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Before Mrs. Long began her speech, Sir William Broadbent, who had been summoned as a
winess, had been "released."

"Why do you want Sir William Broadbent?"

asked the Judge.

Mrs. Long at once turned to the great doctor.

"Will you use my remedy in the hospital? I am

asking you on behalf of the whole world," she said.

But Sir William only laughed—a good-humoured,

sympathetic laugh.

Mr. Justice Lawrance: How would his using
it help you!

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Mr. Justice Lawrance: How would his using it help you?

Mrs. Long: It would help me to get the millions of pounds offered from all parts of the world. Being unable to promise to use the remedy, Sir William was allowed to go.

One of Mrs. Long's "cures," a man named Smith, gave evidence. He said that he had been suffering from phthisis, and that his was a most complicated case.

"This also is a complicated case," observed the Judge. (Loud laughter, Dr. Boyd—he also conducted his own case—when his turn came, protested that the only patient that Mrs. Long had "cured" was not suffering from consumption at all. "Why have you brought this case into court?" he demanded, as Mrs. Long sprang up to cross-examine him.

Mrs. Long: To show that you are a blackguard, and that consumption can be cured by herbs.

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Dr. Boyd agreed that Mrs. Long was right in one thing. Consumption could be cured, but not by herbs. He was perfecting a cure himself, using stimulants and arsenic in his remedy. Germs could be killed by saturation with arsenic, he said. "Don't tell us anything more about minerals," advised the Judge as the old lady ran up once more to the jury-box to make her final appeal.

She took his lordship's advice, and said: "If you can't give me a verdict, say that each side shall pay their own costs." (Loud laughter.)

But the jury brought in a simple verdict for the defendant, and "costs followed."

Before the Court dispersed Mrs. Long announced that she will in future "take public halls and give her cure to the public."

£12,000 FOR POPLAR'S UNEMPLOYED.

To provide work for the unemployed the Poplar Borough Council last night decided to put in hand road-repairing work to cost from £11,000 to £12,000.

Afterwards a deputation of the unemployed was received, and their leader said that unless relief works were started at once he would take 600 men to demand relief from the guardians.



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NEWS ITEMS AND PARAGRAPHS.

Princess Louise (Duchess of Fife) left St. Pancras yesterday for Sandringham.

Sir Edward Reed is to be invited to stand as Conservative candidate for Cardiff.

Consternation has been caused at Portsmouth dockyard by 500 joiners being discharged before

Black smoke from the Russian steamer Irkutsk has cost the captain £10 and costs at the Thames Police Court.

COTTAGE HOMES FOR CHILDREN.

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Cottage homes for children have been provided by the Bristol Guardians, at a cost of £20,000.

They have been formally opened by Mr. Walter Long, who warmly approved of the system of removing the young from workhouse surroundings.

CAT AS A ROCKET.

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In order to celebrate the winning of a football match on November 5 six lads tied crackers to a cat's tail at Dover.

For this they were yesterday summoned by the S.P.C.A., and the magistrates let the lads off with a caution on payment of costs.

MUNICIPAL FAMILY PARTY.

The Mayor of Stepney is to provide a musical evening for his fellow legislators in the borough council, together with their wives.

The function will come off at the Limehouse Town Hall, and the mayor will present the sourcenir badges promised to the members of the council on the same occasion.

ROOFED-IN TRAMCARS.

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It has now been decided that all the London County Council tramcars on the south side of the Thames are to have the outside seats roofed in. As fast as possible all the cars are being converted and by next week about a sixth of the cars running will be completed.

In the provinces it has been found that covered-in cars are as popular in the summer as in winter.

DEATH OF A JOURNALIST.

The death has occurred at his residence, Aytoun-road, Brixton, of Mr. John Hartnoll, founder and editor of the "Brixtonian" newspaper.

He was fifty-seven years of age, and a native of Barnstaple, where he served his apprenticeship on the "North Devon Herald."

The was one of the first presidents of the London Association of Barumiles.

SURPRISE FOR WELL-BORERS.

While boring for water at Calvert, a village near Aylesbury, a feeder of natural gas was tapped, which issued at a pressure of about 48lb. per square

inch.

So great was the velocity with which the gas
rushed up the drill that the flame stood 15in, above
the surface pipe, and rose several feet in the air,
presenting an extraordinary spectacle.

BOOKSTALL BETTING AGENT.

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Joseph Gaskwith Dalzell, a bookstall manager for Messrs, W. H. Smith and Son at Southport, attributes his bankruptcy to acting as agent in betting transactions to ladies' maids. His feminine clients apparently failed to meet their liabilities when the fortunes of chance went against them, so he had recourse to money-lenders to meet the deficiency, with the usual result. His liabilities were returned at the Liverpool Bankruptcy Court at £316, with assets £62.

FISHERGIRLS BEAT POLICE.

Now that the East Coast fishing-towns are crowded with Scotch fishergirls for the herring fishery the local places of amusement are providing special features of entertainment to attract them.

them.

At the Lowestoft Hippodrome a tug-of-war competition is in progress among teams of sturdy lassies, who show a power of muscle upon a rope.

Recently the champion team defeated the local policemen after an exciting struggle.

SLANG ANNOYS A JUDGE.

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During the course of an action at Manchester
Assizes Mr. Justice Walton took exception to the
K.C.'s English.
"Why," asked the Judge, "do you both say
'jolly good care?"
"I said it," Mr. Shee replied, "because my
learned friend did. I imitate him."
The Judge: I do protest against slang.
Counsel then apologised and promised not to

CHRISTMAS IN THE WORKHOUSE.

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East End Guardian Boards are compeleing their arrangements for the Christmas holidays in their various institutions.

The Stepney Guardians yesterday decided to grant the usual allowance of roat beef, plum pudding, sweets, fruit, and biscuits to the children in the schools at Stifford.

At Mile End, in addition to the indoor festivities, it is proposed that the outdoor poor shall be remembered, and notice has been given by the chairman of the Board that he intends moving that half-acrown extra be granted during Christmas week to those in receipt of out relief,

For the Southwark Police Court poor-box £25 as been received anonymously.

Alderman Frederick Redman has been appointed to represent Southwark on the Water Board.

Lady Roberts will present prizes to the 2nd London Rifles, at headquarters in Farringdon-road, on Saturday week.

Mr. Raymond Blathwayt will lecture next Monday at the Richmond Athenæum on "Modern Egypt," Major-General Guyon presiding.

General Lord Chelmsford, Colonel of the 2nd Life Guards, will be Gold Stick-in-Waiting upon the King, and Lieutenant-Colonel Anstruther Thomson, D.S.O., Silver Stick, for the month of

WOMEN AT STONE-BREAKING.

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At the Fylde Workhouse a difficulty is experienced in finding work for the female inmates.

The chairman of the guardians says it is patent to anyone that young, able-bodied women must be found employment, or they would simply make the workhouse into a lodging-house, and they would have large numbers coming to sit round the fire.

A Local Government Board official, however, found on a visit seven young women—two married, and with babies only a few weeks old—breaking stones, old women over seventy years scrubbing floors, and an imbecile attending to babies a few weeks old.

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PROVIDING FOR OLD AGE,

At the general meeting of the Clerical, Medical, and General Life Insurance Society, Mr. John Coles said that the most important form of life assurance of to-day was the very marked growth in the number of endowment assurances. Within the last ten years in all assurance offices there had been a growth of 120,000,000 of these religious and the same of t

policies.

During that period in their own company endowment policies had increased from 422,000 to 900,000, thus showing the evident desire on the part of the public to combine old-age assurance with the ordinates.

HIGH PRICES FOR PRINTS.

Some valuable engravings of the Early English school were sold at Messrs. Puttick and Simpson's rooms yesterday, a fine first state of Valentine Green's famous plate, "The Ladies Waldegrave," after Reynolds's equally famous picture, realising 4460

2460. In 1897 a copy of the same print realised £588, whilst other copies during the last three years have made £357, £131, £168, and £131 5s, respectively. For a copy of Cousin's plate, "The Countess of Durham," after Sir T. Lawrence, £600 18s. was given; and the "Happy Cottagers," by J. Grozer, after G. Morland, went for £74.

MUSCLE FOR MILKMAIDS.

Painters who have been accustomed to portray the milkmaid as a willowy sylph must, in view of the dictum of the governors of the West of Scotland Agricultural College, modify their ideals. It has been found that pupils to milk well must possess a great muscular power, and a mechanical contrivance capable of developing the muscular energy necessary for a good milker is to be brought into use.

The student who cannot raise the necessary muscle will not be permitted to graduate.

NO MORE SHORT WEIGHT.

In the Sale of Bread Bill, of which the London County Council has given notice in the "London Gazette," it is proposed by the Council that bread shall not be sold otherwise than by weight, and also that it shall be weighed in the presence of the

purchaser.

Another important provision is that every cart, barrow, or other vehicle used for distributing bread shall carry weights and scales, which an inspector will have power to test at any time.

BISHOP'S COLD FIRESIDE.

The Bishop of London declared at Cheisea that many people thought that he had nothing to do beyond toasting his feet before the fire and reading an interesting book.

That was the idea of a countryman, who, riding on an omnibus past St. Paul's Cathedral, said: "That's the place where the parson gets £40,000 a year for reading the Lessons twice on Sunday." His experience was of a very different character. For six weeks he had not spent a single evening in his own room.

ONE HUNDRED SLIDES.

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Lieutenat A. B. Armitage, second in command of the Discovery Antarctic Expedition, lectures at the Alhambra, for the Sunday League Society, to-morrow afternoon, at 4 p.m., on "Two Years in the Antarctic."

The lecture, which deals with the voyage of the Discovery, will be illustrated by one hundred slides of Antarctic scenery, and other interesting views.

NORFOLK BEEFING.

That favourite cooking-apple, the Norfolk Beef-

ing, is on sale.

It hails from the county named, and is called "beefing" because its red skin is the hue of beef.

For the first time for forty years there will be to Christmas beer at the Islington Workhouse.

Most up-to-date of bishops, his worship of Thet-ord makes his annual visitations in a motor-car. All the Powell Duffryn Collieries, South Wales, are now idle, owing to the depression in the coal

Sir George White and his brother, Mr. Samuel White, have each promised £1,000 for the poor of

FREQUENT WEDDING GUEST.

Mr. Hugh Hobson, who has just died at Bourne, Lincolnshire, was registrar of marriages for the district for upwards of sixty years. In that capacity he attended over fifteen hundred

THRICE TRIED FOR MURDER.

Joseph Fee, of Clones, is to be tried for the third time for the murder of John Flanagan, in April, 1903.

The body of the murdered man was found under a manure heap on the prisoner's premises eight months after he had been missed.

SUNDAY FISHING BARRED.

It seems there has been a prohibition against Sunday fishing in the waters of the reservoirs and rivers supplying London which has been more honoured in the breach than the observance.

In future anglers will be rigorously confined to week-days in their efforts to secure finny specimens.

PEDESTRIAN JUDGE.

Mr. Justice Bray is earning a reputation on circuit as the pedestrian Judge.

In journeying between the two assize towns of Ruthin and Mold he disdained the use of a earriage, and walked the eleven miles in the excellent time of a little over three hours.

COAL IN A HURRY.

During the recent mobilisation of the fleet, the South Wales colliery agents were placed upon their mettle by the receipt of a large order for coal. Within twenty-four hours 1,000 tons were carried over 140 miles of rail and delivered alongside the coaling stage at Portland.

REFORM IN THE DOCKYARDS.

Reform in the Navy goes steadily forward, espe ally in the direction of concentrating responsi

cially in the direction of concentrating responsability.

The staff captains' department and the dockyard reserve at Sheemess were amalgamated yesterday and placed in the charge of the commander of the dockyard.

ABOLISHING AN ANOMALY.

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It is proposed to abandon the distinction between north and south side of the Thames cases, and to hear all quarter sessions cases alternately at Clerkenwell and Newington.

At present there are nearly twice as many sittings at Clerkenwell as at Newington, and thus accused persons on the south side have to wait twice as long for trial.

HOW RATES INCREASE.

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Twickenham, with a population of 25,000, an assessable value of £166,105, and outstanding loans under the Public Health Act of £68,955, intends, subject to the sanction of the Local Government Board, to spend £40,000 on sewage disposal works and the erection of a dust-destructor.

The building of a new school to cost £18,200 has also been agreed upon.

SHIPYARD STRIKE PROBABLE.

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Although winter has set in with exceptional severity there is every indication that the men in the shipyards on the north-east coast consider the time opportune for a strike.

A final ballot on the wages question, regarding which the masters notice expires on Tuesday, is now being taken, and the Wearside men have already declared themselves overwhelmingly in favour of a strike.

WOMEN IN CONVENTION.

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Yesterday, at the Holborn Restaurant, a national convention of the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies was held to receive the annual report, Miss Bertha Mason presiding.

Delegates from the following societies were present:—Central Society, Edinburgh Souffrage, North of England Society, Edinburgh Society for Women's Suffrage, Leeds, Leicester, Birmingham, Newcastle and District, and Glasgow.

CATTLE SHOW PRIZES.

The entries for the Smithfield Club show, which opens on Monday week, are good in every department, and comprise 276 lead of cattle, 108 pens of sheep, and 106 pens of pigs in the ordinary classes; and for the carcass competition 32 cattle, 59 sheep, and 35 pigs, with 203 entries in the table poultry section.

section.

Prizes are offered for the South Devon breed of cattle, and for Ryeland sheep, for the first time, and there is an additional class for small crossbred

The prizes are on the usual generous scale at this show and amount to £4,094,

DO PEOPLE READ?

Serious Books Said To Be a Drug in the Market.

Under the title "The Crisis in the Book Market,12 Mr. Teignmouth Store writes in the current number of the "Fortnightly Review," calling attention to the "present critical condition of the publishing

Providers of cheap magazines and of penny periodicals are, he says, for the most part thriving, but the publishers of high-class books bitterly complain that times were never so bad as they are now; yester year was evil, this is worse; books

plain that times were never so bad as they are now; yester year was evil, this is worse; books are a drug in the market, and the book-buyer's purse is tight shut.

Among the leading publishers, seen yesterday for the Daily Mirror, the general opinion is that there is much truth in Mr. Store's statements, though they may rather exaggerate the real condition of affairs.

"The taste in reading has certainly changed considerably in recent years," said the representative of one of the leading houses.

"The public will have novels and nothing else to-day. Poetry is at a discount, save that of a light and topical nature. But people are still to a certain extent buying classical and standard works just to have them on their book-shelves—if for no other reason. Carlyle is not much bought at present. But a new edition of Ruskin always commands a good sale."

In the opinion of another authority the cheap books which Mr. Shore condemns have done a great deal to make a certain class of people read which the ordinary-priced book would never have reached.

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which the ordinary-priced book would never have reached.

"The sixpenny edition, moreover, is doing a very good work indeed," said this gentleman. "It is killing the novelette and the penny dreadful. And when it has educated people a little higher still, they will buy good books in good bindings for the pleasure of reading and re-reading and of keeping them."

THE CITY.

The Boom in Rhodesians - Mining Shares Generally Strong-Home Rails Featureless.

CAPEL COURT, Friday Evening.—To-day was mining carry-over day, and something like a "boom" was seen in South African, and notably in Rhodesian, securities. It was not fully maintained all day, though the finish was good, and the new account was certainly given a remarkably auspicious send-off. The speculative account open showed some increase, and rates were stiffer. But on balance most shares are higher and great activity prevaled. Egyptian mining shares, too, were decidedly strong, inside interests working hard to put up prices and attract the public. Week Australian mining shares were better, but the West African group proved the Sorry exception. Here the market also opened strong, but decided weakness was shown later. The market got a little nervous, and talked of various adverse reports. But the truth seemed to be that the selling was in connection with shares held by a prominent merchant in Consolo Flat.

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All the steam seems to be out of Consols, and the reason is, no doubt, that the monthly settlement is so near. But the tone of the market showed were self-tendency to recover at the faith, and Consultation of the Southampton Harbour loan line were closed at

Ending, to recover at the faith, and Consols were SS-4, the Southampton Harbour loan lists were closed at noon.

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FRUITS OF INCOMPETENCE.

The fact that an innocent man could be not once only, but twice, convicted, and that an application to the Homo Office upon the first of such convictions could lead to no redress, naturally created grave misgivings in the public mind as to the nature and working of our system of criminal justice.

HAT is what the Beck Case Commissioners say in their report published this morning, a report which proves the nublic's "grave misgivings" to have been only too well founded.

They show that our system of criminal jus-tice is very faulty indeed. They blame the Judge (Sir Forrest Fulton) for trying Mr. Beck improperly. They blame the Home Office for slackness and incompetence. They blame the prison authorities for not being alert-minded enough to discover that a hideous injustice had been committed. The nation ought to be grateful to them for speaking out so directly, and with so little of that respect of persons which often makes inquiries of this kind a

and with so little of that respect of persons which often makes inquiries of this kind a useless formality.

We must say, however, that we are a little disappointed with their recommendations for preventing in future such a crime as was perpetrated upon Mr. Beck. They propose more lawyers at the Home Office and a complicated process for compelling a Judge to allow an appeal from a doubtful conviction. For our part we feel that the fewer lawyers the State employs, the better. What we want in public affairs is less legal quibbling and more common-sense. A lawyer is the last person to apply to for the latter commodity.

Surely the best plan would be to simplify our whole system of legal procedure as much as possible; to establish a Court of Criminal Appeal; to clear all sleep-walkers and disciples of the "What-a-bore-it-is" school out of the Home Office; and to dismissionately any Judge who is proved to have made even one mistake due to wrong-headedness or want of care. The watchword for awakened England is, "The incompetent must go."

COLD WEATHER MAXIMS.

The Weather Office—it is absurd to try and say "Meteorological" in such weather as this —calls the cold snap healthy. On the whole the Weather Office is for once right. But its remark needs qualification. For healthy people this is healthy weather. For the old and the infirm and the delicate, above all for the ill-nourished and ill-clad, it is a trying and a creal time.

Still, there is no reason why we healthy ones should not enjoy the keen air and the crisp crunch of frozen snow under our feet. Nor crunch of trozen snow under our teet. Nor can we help looking forward to skating if the "snap" lasts long enough. The worst of it is that the conditions do not remain the same for more than a few hours at a time. And of all horrible states of weather a thaw is the "worst of all worst worsts" that the mind of

"worst of all worst worsts" that the mind of man can imagine.

The best way to avoid ill-effects from changes of weather is never to get very hot (save with hard exercise) or very cold (except in the morning cold bath). Heavy wraps should be avoided. A fur coat positively invites chills. Also, it should be remembered that alcohol must only be taken in cold weather in small quantities, if at all.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

You may be a good scholar, and a good Churchman, and yet not a good Christian.—Mrs. Liddon to her son, the late Canon Liddon.

MORNING'S GOSSIP. THIS

DMIRAL FREMANTLE, who has just followed the prevailing fashion by publishing his memoirs, is one of the few naval commanders who can point to fifty years of active service. He can remember those pleasant days when dictation and the rule of three were the only examination requirements for naval candidates. When Admiral Fremantle was examined he was asked: "If a yard of cloth costs is. 4d., how much will three yards cost?" This head-splitting problem he answered at once, and was received into the Navy with open arms.

One cannot wonder, after this, that the naval officers of those days were not distinguished scholars. One of them, seeing the motton, "Dieu et mon Droit," written up, translated it thus: "Dieu, the lion; et, and; nen droit, the unicorn." But they made up for poor scholarship by much spirit and confidence in their country! One old salt, hearing about the victory of lakerman, remarked: "What could they do against us?"

Very different is the Chinese view of patriotism, which is illustrated by the story of Li Hung Chang,

WHY NOT DISINFECT THE CUSTOMERS, TOO?



The City of London is going to make rules for the disinfection of all barbers' in-struments and appliances, in order to destroy noxious germs. To make the reform complete all "undesirable" customers ought to be subjected to the same process.

THE MIRROR UP TO NATURE.

The Morning After.

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UNDERFOOT the snow is sparkling brightly in the light of a brilliant moon. Crisp and dry it crunches. The leaders branches of the trees look clothed once more in their white covering. In the centre of the road are the dark wheel-tracks where the hansoms have borne home their burdens from theatre and restaurant. Overhead the moon lights up the sparkling scene and dims the street lamps; but the colour is far too yellow. It is not the silver moon of a froat, it is the yellow moon of thaw.

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Brip, drip, drip, The short-lived frost has broken. The moon's prophecy has come true.

There is no sparkle about the snown now under the dull light of the morning. Overhead is the leaden sky. Underfoot is the leaden-coloured slush. On the trees is all that remains of the snow. Drip, drip, drip.

The wheel-tracks on the road are gone. In their place is black, pasty mud, and it stretches from side to side of the road. Everywhere hangs the damp fog of the thaw. Not thick, not biting, as the smoke fog, but cold and piercing and wet—the fog of the thaw.

On the pavements there is none of the bustle and laughter which was everywhere but yesterday. The business man does not laugh as he did yesterday when he slipped and nearly fell, but grumbles loudly as he picks his way through the stush.

The boy on his way to school does not stop to snowball, but hurries on, stamping his feet to keep them warm, and splatters everyone with mud.

Drip, drip, drip. The frost has broken. The morning after is a bad business.

A MAN OF THE MOMENT.

Dr. William Collingridge.

HE is the medical officer of health for the City of London and the originator of the movement in favour of antiseptic barbers' shops—a movement which has now borne fruit.

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That he is a doctor is shown by his record and his degrees, but he certainly does not look one. There is no suspicion of a "bedside manner" about him. He is a doctor who does not have to see patients. He has to deal with men of the world in a businesslike manner.

His fifty years have not stred him of life. The wrinkles at the corners of his cres are the result of a very cheery smile.

He looks like something between a soldier and a sailor. There is the weather-beaten look of the sailor, the result of his work as medical officer of the Port of London. There is the walk and movement of a soldier, for he has always been a keen officer of Volunteers.

Straight and well set-sup, he hardly looks his age, in spite of his many cares and adventures—he served through the Turko-Servian war of 1876, and was the first English surgeon to arrive. He is of middle height and middle weight, for though he is not a stout man he is certainly not a thin one. His first appointment in London was as medical officer of the Port, in which capacity he had to inspect all vessels entering, and his great work was in the prevention of cholera.

From that he moved to his present position, and would probably have done so earlier if he could have been spared before.

He was the first medical officer to take up the question of the oysters and typhoid, just as he was the first medical officer to take up the question of the oysters and typhoid, just as he was the first medical officer to take up the question of the oysters and typhoid, just as he was the first medical officer to take up the question of the oysters and typhoid, just as he was the first medical officer to take up the question of the oysters and typhoid, just as he was the first medical officer to take up the question of the oysters and typhoid, just as he was the first medical officer to take up the question of the oysters and typhoid, just as he was the first medical officer to take up th

who asked the admiral, during the war, what his flagship was worth, and whether he would sell her and come over to his side. He wanted the admiral's help, and thought it was to be bargained for like other things.

Great celebrations have been going on this week at Mourne Park, in Co. Down, where the Earl of Kilmorey celebrates the coming-of-age of his cides son, Viscount Newry. Lord Kilmorey is very much given to the organisation of festivities and pageants. One time he was intimately concerned, too, with theatrical undertakings. He was the lessee of the St. James's, he built the Globe, and he occasionally ventured upon adaptations of lively French plays, one of which was actually produced by the Kendals.

Lord Kilmorey married one of the smartest of society women. Lady Kilmorey was a Miss Baldock. It must have been something of relief for her to renounce that not very euphonious name. It was a name, too, often unkindly disfigured. Once, when travelling in Italy, Lady Kilmorey was horrified to see that a "Mees Baldod" was staying in the same hotel as herself. That was, however, simply an Italian attempt at Baldock. Lady Kilmorey goes in for hunting as well as society, and was once honoured by being made "Master" of the hounds in Ireland.

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In Mr. Barrie's Christmas play parts have been found for the three actesses who have taken the part of the "Stormy etree!" in "Little Mary "is also to be a big dog in the piece. Small dogs have often appeared on the stage—Mr. Aubrey Smith's Binkie, for example, and the fanous Bully Boy in "The Dancing Girl." A large collic will be rather a handful for the stage manager.

No one is more competent to deal with what is said to be the cycle trade "chaos" than Mc. Harvey Du Cros, who spoke at the meeting of the Dunlop Pucunaic Tyre Company. Mr. Du Cros, who spoke at the meeting of the Dunlop Pucunaic Tyre Company. Mr. Du Cros, who spoke at the meeting of the Dunlop Pucunaic Tyre Company. Mr. Du Cros has made all his great wealth out of tyre companies and the second showdon in his Arriel car last summer, risking death at many places on the ascended Smoudon in his Arriel car last summer, risking death at many places on the ascendand and the great wealth with the conduction of the industry of the industry

Mr. Du Cros, senior, is a self-made man, with an enormous lot of money and a curious taste us dress. At Hastings, where he is Conservative candidate, he appears on festive outdoor occasions in a knickerbocker suit, with patent leather boots, a very high collar, a very large scarf-pin, and white kid gloves. He is a small man, inclining to stoutness; the result may be imagined. He is a favourite at Hastings, where he sjeends a good deal and entertains handsomely at his fine house on the Downs behind the town.

Why are music-hall singers always in litigation:
The latest plaintiff is Mme. Anna Held, who suse
the New York Opera House for the loss of three
invaluable portraits of herself. This is not the
first time that Mme. Held, the spoilt favourite of
Paris, has argued in the courts. She travels everywhere, and brings actions everywhere she travels.
Once she had to pay 15,000 francs (£750) damages
for breaking a contract with a Paris manager.
Mme. Held rivals the beautiful Otero in the number of her jewels, and it need hardly be said that
she spends money in handfuls.

The Hay James Burke Roche, who is credited

The Hon. James Burke Roche, who is credited with having supplied Russia with the torpedodestroyer from the Thames, is popularly known as "Jim" Roche. He is a brother of Lord Fermory, and has spent a great deal of his time in America. He has had there one remarkable experience—that of gazing upon his own tomb. He joined an expedition sent by the United States against the Indians. A dead body was discovered, and buried as his own. A memprial stone to him was put over it. Mr. Roche himself went and looked at it, and took a photograph of it, which lie has always kept. has always kept.

President Loubet, the simplest and least assuming of quiet old French gentlemen, has been much amused this week by the suggestion of a society of French tallors that he should wear a presidential uniform. Instead of his unpretentious frock-coat and tall hat, they suggest for him a costume of white broadcloth, liberally adorned with gold braid! It might have suited President Faure, but M. Loubet prefers to remain a citizen simply.

IN MY GARDEN THIS MORNING.

NOVEMBER 26.—It is difficult to realise, as one walks round the garden at this time of the year, that even now the soil retains some of the heat of

summer.

It is a fact, though, and it should remind us that this is almost the last moment that bulbs care be planted with success. If they are put in late they will have little chance of forming roots before the heavy frosts come. Duffodils, hyacinths, tulips, snowdrops, and crocuses should therefore be quickly planted.

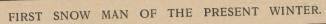
Coccuses make a charming picture grown in climps about the grass. Take a large handful and throw them on the turf, planting them where they fall. That is the way to avoid all risk of a formal arrangement.

E. F. T.











This cold-faced person affords endless amusement to the children who have built him. After they have had all the fun out of him that they want they will make a display of ingratitude by destroying him with snowballs.—(Underwood and Underwood.)

MR. ROCKEFELLER'S BAD LUCK.



Accident to an Anglo-American oil company's petroleum tank-wagon at Bodmin, due to a sideslip. The near horse fell under the wagon. There were no injuries. The oil was the property of Mr. John D. Rockefeller, richest man in the world.

COMMON COUNCILLOR'S GIFT.



This excellent bust of the Queen, executed by Mr. Walter Merrett, has just been placed in the Guildhall, together with one of the King. They were the gift of Mr. T. V. Bowater, C.C.

LORD NEWRY'S



Lady Kilmorey, Lord Newry's mother. (Esmé Collins.)

BARONESS HAYASHI,



Wife of the Japanese Ambassador, who is leaving England because she cannot stand the climate.

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The above is a drawing of the large neck of Miss Louisa M'Arthur, the v clue the police have

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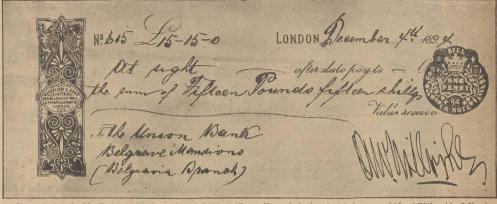
elebrates his twenty-first birthday to-day.—(Lafayette.)

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DOCUMENT THAT PLAYED AN IMPORTANT PART IN THE BECK COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS.

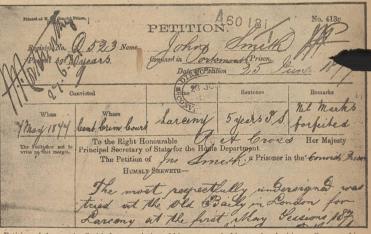


"Cheque" given by Mr. Beck's double, the swindler, Smith, to Fanny Nutt. It is signed with the name of "Lord Willoughby." Handwriting experts identified Smith's writing as that of Beck.

SAMPLES OF THE WRITING OF SMITH, MR. BECK'S DOUBLE.



Order for clothes given by Smith to Daisy Grant on July 5, 1895. Smith pretended to make presents to women and stole their jewellery.



Petition of the convict Smith for a remission of his sentence, in his own handwriting. Compare his writing with that of Mr. Beck, below.

SPECIMENS OF MR. ADOLF BECK'S REAL WRITING.

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A telegram written by Mr. Beck on the day of his unjust arrest on April 15, 1904.

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A letter written by Mr. Beck, whose writing experts thought resembled that of Smith, above. Persons who are not experts don't think there is any, similarity, and they are right.

THE JUDGE'S SECRET.

By Andrew Loring, "Mr. Smith of England."

PERSONS OF THE STORY.

Sir ALANSON GASCOYNE, Judge of the High

Sir ALANSON GASCOYNE, Judge of the Fight Court.

LADY GASCOYNE (Rosamond, his Wife.

RICHARD DEVERILL, in love with Lady Gascoyne. She has compromised herself by visiting his chambers, but of chis her hussard is still ingressar.

Mrs. LA GRANGE, Ludy Gascoyne's friend, a social butterfly, heavly in debt.

HAROLD SOMERTON, Mrs. La Grange's hother, HAROLD SOMERTON, beer in prison, but has since made money. Knowing of the intrigue between Deverill and Ludy Gascoyae, he blackmals Deverill into helping him to regard his position in society. Through Deverill he offices his sister, who for a long GERTHLIDE GASCOYNE, the Judge's sister, whom Someton has set his heart on marrying.

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The servants who waited carried the incredible news below stairs that everybody at that dinner-party was really enjoying it. The footman was too young to have given up the attempt to understand the ways of "the gentry." He spoke bitterly of a the ways of "the gentry." He spoke bitterly of a friend of his who had "made a mistake, and had had to do time." That friend had been cast off by his relations, had been discharged from his position, had been cut by his acquaintances. He had seen him once since, a ragged, dirty tramp. He had deigned to speak with him for a moment or two, and had perted with a two-shilling piece. The man had complained bitterly that he had never been allowed a second chance.

The footman shrugged his shoulders and pointed upstairs with his thumb. The mysterious contrasts and inequalities of life were too much for him.

"My eye," he cried, "he's a toff, and no mis-and they don't none of 'em seem to harbour gainst him."

opped into the usual consolation of a well-on aphorism.

en aphorism.
"It's a queer world," he said, and thereafter was

Things upstairs had gone quite as well as the footman thought they had. Mrs. La Grange was greatly relieved to find that her brother's declasse life had not deteriorated his manners in the slightest degree. She found that he touched upon the usual light topics of the dimer-table in the accustomed manner, that he was not ignorant of those odds and ends of general goesip which everyence in her world would naturally be expected to know. She searched his face in vain for any clearly-written marks of his dissolute life. There were signs there, of course, but on the whole he was really more presentable than nine out of ten men she knew.

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He spoke of Deverill's good fortune in having received a legacy. He had seen it casually in the papers, he said.

"I was glad to see it," he remarked, with an amiable smile; "a little windfall like that is very useful to anyone. You knew it was coming some time, I suppose?"

"No," answered Deverilt; "I was never more exercised in the life. Leaver met Resser; I did

"No," answered Deverill; "I was never more surprised in my life. I never met Brasser; I did nection."

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"Ten times more welcome for the surprise," was the answer. "I knew only of him what the public knew, but he certainly had a wonderful run of luck. I can't help but be sorry for his sake that he did not live to enjoy it."

"That reminds me," cried Deverill, "I must remember to speak to the executor about the poor old chap's tombstone. I owe him that much, at least. Curious thing, upon my word, I don't even know where he was buried."

"You didn't go to the funeral?" asked Mrs. La Grange.

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"You didn't go to the funeral?" asked Mrs. La Grange.

"No, I hadn't any chance. Skerrett, that's the executor, who was his private secretary, and with him in his last hours, brought me a characteristic message from him. He didn't want me to make any hypocritical presence of grief, he said, over the death of one whom I had never known. I should have liked to pay the last mark of respect, though."

"I expect," said Lady Gascoyne, "that you will find the executor has arranged for the tombstone."

"Very likely; still I shall find out where it is, and go and have a look at it. It's a mighty little thing to do as a return for twenty thousand pounds."

"It is, indeed," said Somerton, and then the subject dropped.

By the time they arrived at dessert Lady Gascoyne, "we are booked for an early engagement and must be off soon."

Deverill say a chance to escape from ten minutes alone with Somerton.

"You are pressed for time," he said, rising lastic time and the continued of the

winning deference to his sister and to her. She reflected that the man could not have obtained his evil eminence unless he had been gifted with a high intelligence and a natural fine manner. "Don't let me forget, Mr. Somerton, to get your address from you."

He countly produced a card, while Deverill, despite himself, looked daggers, and Mrs. La form going to send you a line some day, if I man going to send you a line some day, if I man going to send you a line some day, if I man going to send you a line some day, if I man going to send you know a line some day, if I man going to send you have the server large.

"It will always be a pleasure to me to come to your house, Lady Gascoyne," answered Somerton with the modest bow of one well aware that he had received an honour. "I expect to be in town for some little time yet—certainly until August 12."

He spoke of his movements as though they were those of the country gentleman, and as though the dates which dominate the life of one devoted to outdoor sports had a world of significance, for him.

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"I think it very kind of you to ask me here to night, Hermione," he said, "and of you, Lady Gascoyne, to consent to meet me. You have done me a great honour in promising me an invitation to your house. You have generously ignored an incident in my unfortunate career which I have learned, at bitter cost, few people would do."

"Oh," cried his sister, in a stilled voice. "Why refer to so painful a topic?"

"Because," he answered gravely, "it is my duty to you. A long story lies behind that crushing hour in my life; an hour which changed everything for me, which made me an outcast, and taught me the cruelty of the world. Until now, I have never opened my lips about this painful subject. When kindly lands are reached out towards me, I am compelled to speak. Justice to you forces me to say that I was the victim of a miscarriage of justice—that I did not commit the crime for which I suffered."

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"I was sure of it, Mr. Somerton," she lisped in her softest voice. "In asking you to dinner, I wished to say to you that I have always believed in your innocence."

Mrs. La Grange stared now at Rosamond. Yes, she knew it now, her brother held these two people as in a vice. She had no delusions about his guilt, she knew that Rosamond had none either. It had been too patent, too flagrant, too cruel. She could not utter a word. This assertion of her brother seemed to her a gratuitous impertinence. Lady Gascoyne turned to her with a perfect self-possession, and beamed on her with a gracious smile.

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"Are you not glad, Hermione dear," she said gently, "to hear your brother say this. You and I have spoken more than once about it, and you remember how staunchly we have both agreed that he was a deeply-injured man."

"Yes—I—remember," stammered the startled hostess. "I didn't need your word for it, Harold,"
"It delights me," he answered, with a grave in-clination of the head, "to know that you have always believed in me, Hermione. That you, too, Lady Gascoyne, trusted in me when all the world was against me is very pleasant to hear."

He looked across at Deverill. That gentleman was graxing abstractedly at the ceiling, holding a wine-glass in his hand. There were some lengths to which Richard Deverill could not force himself to "Aren't you glad, Mr. Deverill?" she lisped.

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"I am, indeet," he managed to say, then drained his wineglass and coughed for nearly a minute.

ward with pleasure to being alone together. Lady Gascoyne knew that Deverill was in a rage.

"It's sickening," he said beneath his breath animule later, as the two were walking up and down the path by the side of the house.

"Dick," answered Lady Gascoyne softly, as she laid an appealing hand on his arm, "why is it that we women can endure a situation like this so much more patiently than you men? You knew what was coming as well as I did. You knew that my asafety absolutely depends on the impression I make on him. Yet how hard you make it for me. Why suggest that he come here if you were not prepared to carry it through to the bitter end?"

"The hypocritical beast," cried Deverill.
"When I saw your hand on his arm I wanted to knock him down. You smiled and fawned on him all through the dinner."

Lady Gascoyne experienced fierce thrills of pleasure in the absurdly unreasonable attitude of this man. He was jeaboute. There had never been before an excuse for him to betray that feeling. She foresaw additional complications in the future painful and compulsory association with Harold Somerton. She foresaw additional complications in the future painful and compulsory association with Harold Somerton. She foresaw that she would have to use as much finesse in managing Richard Deverill as he would have to employ in controlling Somerton.

"Of course, I seemed to enjoy it," she said in her pleading (one. "If I had appeared very misserable over it sill, what would have been the result?"

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"He behaved extremely well, Dick, you can't deny that. I didn't think any man could have carried off a situation like that."
"He has check enough for anything. Fancy his having the impudence to say that he was innocent."

"A stroke of genius, Dick; he has handed me a trump card. I can play that anywhere,"

a trump card. I can play that anywhere, everywhere."

"Surely not with Gertrude?"

Gertrude again—she checked herself just in time. She wished to withdraw her hand from the arm to which she was clinging. What right had be to acquiesce in her cajolements of Harold-Someton, and to resent Gertrude's being drawn into the scheme?

"I am as sorry about that as you are," she said slowly, "but need's must when that man drives. You admit that he can crack his whip as he pleases, yet you jib every time he does it. That is not fair to me. It is hard enough to please Mr. Sometron without having the fear of your anger in my thoughts all the time."

"You have chosen the wrong course," he said, almost harshly, "It inn't too late to turn now. Don't play up to this outsider. Cut it all. Come with me. We may have plenty to feel ashamed of then, but at least we shall no longer be hypocrites and traitors."

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"On the whole," she said with bitting sarcasm, "I think Mr. Somerton has between better to night than you have. Once and behaved better to night than you have. Once and to all, I absolutely reject your way. Three hours once in three months by this man's side are a vexation only, they can be lived down. Your plan means a lifetime of misery. Tell me frankly, Dick, are you going to leave me to carry this all out alone—or are you going to help me?"

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"Of course, I shall shall be you."

There was no warmth in his tone. He tried indeed to force it, but he could not. He was utterly miserable. He felt cold to the woman who stood by his side. He had not even the ardour of love to sustain him in this wretched hour of two lives. She, too, in the sordid interruption which had come to her gilded dream, was distillusioned; but she had the sustaining power of an ardent and determined purpose. She had her social position to maintain, and even in this first moment was fighting grimly for every inch of ground.

"You speak of Gertrude," she said, tartly; "the young hady seems much in your thoughts. Don't you understand that all we really need is a little delay? Six months or a year hence, if this man should become our enemy, we can dely him then. He knows very little as it is—just one little trifle. If we have been very careful in the meantime, we can snap our fingers at him. Suppose I am able to induce Gertrude to be a little kind to him at first. It's not to be assumed that she's going to fall under his influence; the idea is ridiculous. Suppose she should, however. All we have to do when the proper time comes is to say that we have been mistaken in him, and to tell her plain truths about him. Now, why is it that you object so much to bringing her into it?"

"It hink it very unfair," he exclaimed hotly, "on make an innocent, good-hearted girl like Gertrude an unconscious tool to help us out of a scrape which is entirely our own fault."

"It has to be done," she retorted quickly; "that is, if he means what he says—and I suppose he does. No harm will come to her, and I am saved. Now, Dick, your must do two things. You must promise to leave Gertrude eatirely to me, not to give her a hint,

Then she proceeded with shrewd foresight to clinch his words.

"Remember," she said, "if she should ever speak to you about him, or should ask you any questions, you are bound to speak well of him. To do otherwise, to hesitate, to refuse to speak at all, is just the same as attacking him. Then all my work's undone. You've simply to praise him."

"I suppose that follows," he said moodily, as

I shall press her to come," answered her lady-p. "You are too kind—goodnight."

(To be continued.)



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SPIRE AND TOWER BOTH.

Legend of an Ancient Church Visited by Royalty This Week.

During his visit to Lord Lathom, which ends fo-day, the Prince of Wales has been well-instructed in the legend of Ormskink Church, near which Lathom House stands. It has both a spire and a tower, and the tradition is that it was built by two maiden sisters.

One of them proposed it, according to a local poet, in some such words as these :-

in some such words as these:—
"Sister," he said, "were growing old,
Life's weary tale is well-nigh told;
When we are gone our home and hearth
Will echo back a stranger's mirth;
There's not one heart to which we'll be
More than a passing memory;
But ere we oleep beneath the sod,
How both have wealth, say, shall we raise

OUR LONDON LETTER.

A temple to our Maker's praise, Whose radiant spire, exalted high, Shall point to realms beyond the sky, And lead men's grovelling thoughts to soar Where sin and death are found no more?"-To which the other sister replied :-

"Yes, I will gladly give my dower But should prefer a modest tower To a tall steeple tapering high In lofty grandeur to the sky."

You may think they quarrelled, but this is not by They had tower and spire both.

A versifier of a humorous turn dealt with the

Miss Tabitha wanted a spire:
Miss Martha she sigh'd for a tower:
And so they sat down by the fire,
And talk'd the thing o'er for an hour

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At length they agreed that they wouldn't.
Wax angry, or spiteful, or wrath;
"If we wanted to quarrel we couldn't,
So drat it our church shall have both."

The church dates back to the eleventh century. The old ladies are said to have been the daughters of a Saxon pirate.

"BEAUTY AND THE BARGE."

The Hundredth Performance of Mr. Jacobs's Play Last Night.

For the hundredth time last night the New Theatre echoed with a packed audience's constant laughter at the humours of Captain Barley and his

laughter at the humours of Captain Barley and his merry companions.

Mr. Jacob's play is just the thing to arouse one from the torpidity caused by cold and fog. Hovever depressed you.feel when you enter the theatre, you come away light-hearted and cheerful.

The piece succeeds because it is not like other plays. There is a refreshing lightness and originality of touch about it, and the players seem to be stimulated by this fact to more than usually brilliant effort; Maude downwards, all the parts are cleverly played. Mr. Kenneth Douglas and Mr. Lennox Pawle are especially good in their widely different lines, while pretty Miss Bateman is a heroine to whom all would like to play hero.

NATURAL DEATH.

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After reading your saddening, heart-breaking leader I am ashamed, of my country and my countrymen.

The shocking and demoralising state of our once Merrie England is enough to turn Christian men into pagans. Whereever we look for guidance and advice we find little else but apathy. Where, indeed, is the champion of the poor?

I well remember a hymn we sang at school—

Now pray we for our country, that England long may be The holiest, the happiest, the gloriously free.

But what is the use of prayer without action?

ALEXANDER DAVID HARRISON.

Warwick-road, Kenilworth.

I have often admired your leaderettes in the Daily Mirror, but none so much as the one under this heading on November 24.

The man for whom you ask is Robert Blatchford, editor of the "Clarion." He has been preaching the remedy for this state of affairs for the last fourteen years. Read "Britain for the British," by him.

Mapperley, Nottingham.

HOTEL FOR WOMEN

In New York they have a hotel for women only. It is comfortable and cheap. Women can either stay there or live there. Why not start a similar establishment in London? I am sure numbers of women would be glad of it.

A FREQUENT VISITOR.
Farncombe, Surrey.

AN INCIDENT OF THE FROST.

I must make a public complaint to someone. My nerves are all unstrung.

I have just walked along the Thames Embankment, past numbers of men scraping away at the frozen snow with spades and making the most horrible walker.

noise.

I suppose it cannot be avoided, but how it jars on my spine—worse than a squeaky slate pencil!

EDGAR BURNLEY.

Palace-chambers, Westminster.

DO MIRACLES HAPPEN?

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Mr. Mackenzie, in his reply to my letter, has overlooked two points.

(4.) I never claimed any power and have none. The power is in the hands of the Almighty.

(2.) I have no responsibility. No prayer of mine or anyone else's would empty a hospital, stop a war, etc. Those in the hospital must pray for themselves, and must have faith, without which all prayer is vain. I can pray for thousands, but I cannot give them faith; that is a matter between each man and his Maker. The responsibility lies with those who reject prayer, and prismarily belief therin.

349, Upland-road, Dulwich, S.E.

WHAT ALL WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

Could anyone inform me in what town or county barrel-organs are prohibited from playing? This imformation would be a great help to M. C. W.

*************** A LITTLE SERMON.

By the Rev. WILLIAM MURDOCH JOHNSTON, M.A., Prebendary of St. Paul's Cathedral, and Vicar of East Twickenham.

St. John xx., 24: "Thomas was not with them when Jesus came."

Thomas's fault was that he withdrew, for a

space at any rate, from the body of Christians. There is no hint of where he was upon that Easter day when Jesus came. No sin is imputed. Only

There is no hint of where he was upon that Easter day when Jesus came. No sin is imputed. Only he missed the blessing which the others received. This, however, is evident when you study his conduct. He had Jailed to appreciate our Lord's character and nature. Now, mental difficulties are a proof either of mental weakness or of ignorance. But ignorance does not alter facts. I remember a spot in the Alps where a village stood under the sweep of the mountain's side, and one morning when the snows began to melt a mighty availanche fell and overwhelmed every house. The villagers built other houses at some distance off, and the snows came down in the winter and the torrents filled in the spring; but the people slept in peace and worked in security, because they believed that they were beyond the stretch of danger. But one winter heavier snows piled themselves on the summits and the flanks of the hills, and one night a huge mass slipped, and, roaring louder than the loudest thunder, rushed down into the valley, on towards the village, and entombed both houses and men. The people had been in ignorance of their danger, but this did not save them when the danger came.

The true solution of difficulties lies in conduct. Controversy and discussion make few converts. No argument for Christ is so strong as a humble Christian's life. And the man who wishes to live in peace must live the Christian life.

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Fac-simile of the first page of the unique weekly newspaper, the "Overseas Mail," which can be sent to any part of the world, postage paid, for 5s. a year. This week a special edition has been printed for sale in England, in response to numberless requests from people who are sending it to friends abroad and want to see what it is like. One hundred thousand copies of the new paper were printed yesterday, and went off last night to every part of the world.

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A RIDING MISTRESS.

MISS EVA CHRISTY ON HER PRO-FESSION.

A riding mistress is a new idea and a very excellent one, which is proved by the keen appreciation shown to Miss Eva Christy, who has taken the profession as her own.

Miss Christy maintains, and rightly, that to teach side-saddle riding one must be a practised rider in the side-saddle, for how can anyone impart to another person that which they cannot do themselves? One who has only ridden on a man's saddle can have no experience of the difficulties of the side-saddle, and the art of managing the riding habit must, perforce, be equally beyond his knowledge. The whole principle is different from riding on a cross-saddle. Men generally have to confess that they rise in the stirrup. This is a very bad habit for a woman, as it results in her dragging the saddle over to one side. She must be taught to rise by the pommel.

Although Miss Christy has ridden and followed the hounds ever since she was a child, on being asked if she agreed with the opinion that this is the only way to become a really proficient equestrienne, she was emphatic in her denial.

"On the contrary," she said, "I have had pupils who, although they have not mounted a horse Miss Christy maintains, and rightly, that to

until middle life, have nevertheless soon become

until middle life, have nevertheless soon become excellent horsewomen."

She herself is blessed with what is known as "good hands," so that from what I hear of herwires her interviewer—she experiences not the slightest difficulty in controlling horses which give less capable riders endless trouble.

That the teaching of riding is by no means an easy profession, Miss Christy's experience proves. "I do not think anyone could do it," says Miss Christy, "who had not been accustomed as I have to plenty of riding in the country. It keeps mind and body both occupied, you cannot let your attention wander for an instant, for you not only have to keep your eye on your pupil to see that she is holding herself and her reins properly, but you must be ready at any moment to prevent her from alling. Then you have at the same time to be on the look-out for signs of fright, both in her horse and your own, though you really get into the way of looking after your own mount mechanically."

Miss Christy has by heart the peculiarities of every horse she uses for teaching, with which most assential part of the knowledge of equestrianism the is enabled to instill her pupils.

In order to be able to meet the difficulty of teachings mult boys, this clever lady has had a special iding habit made which looks when the wearer is mounted like a skirt on each side of the suddle, and she has, thus equipped, practised riding astride. It is for this reacton she says that she much prefers the modern straight seated side-saddle.

Another way in which, Miss Christy finds her, services much in demand is as a companion to ladies who have no friends with a similar hobby to go out with, and who find riding very dull with only the escort of a groom. They are delighted to secure the company of a lady of their own rank in

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Joseph Holbrooke, which was produced originally at the Leeis Festival, and Sullivang." Golden Legend." The National Sunday League choir and orchestra of 300 are the performers.

Many of the military bands are also playing on Sunday evening. The Grenadiers are playing at the Athambra; the Scots Guards at the Isington Empire; the Irish Guards at the Mariborough Theatre, Holloway; the Horse Guards at the King's Theatre, Hammersmith; the Coldstreams at the Empress Theatre, Brixton; the 2nd Life Guards at the Duchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Duchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Duchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Duchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Duchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and the 1st Life Guards at the Puchess Palace, Balham; and Puchess Pal

mond.

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life who, if they are not very efficient, can give them all sorts of hints in a difficult art, which hints, by the bye, she has embodied in her practical hand-book called "Side-Saddle Riding," a thoroughly useful handbook, full of illustrations from photographs, which help greatly in making clear the various points of the art of equestrianism. Miss Christy lives at Dennington Park-mansions, West Hampstead, and likes to give her lessons, whenever possible, on the soft, springy sand rides across Hampstead Heath, than which no more delightful and healthful spot could be imagined for a canter.

soothing and will even induce sleep when other remedies prove of no avail. The patient lying on the back, bends the knees up, and the feet are then immersed in the foot-bath up to the ankles. To dry them a towel is held above the foot-bath, and the feet are received in its folds while the bath is withdrawn.

In illness no detail is unimportant that can add to the comfort of the sufferer in the slightest degree. Crumbs in the bed are among the minor miseries, and to remove them there is nothing better than a whisk-broom. When fisming a sick person the action should be performed with regularity.

MODISH BELTS.

A great deal might be said about the new belts, for they form so essential a part of the costume and are so different. No longer is a belt merely a belt; it is sometimes a girdle. Again, it is a stomacher. Again, a belt is so fashioned that it forms a wide back, making a postillion effect, and it is sometimes so wide that it is as important as a conselect.

it is sometimes so wide that it is as importual us a corselet.

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RACING SEASON'S PREWATURE END.

Manchester November Handicap Abandoned-Sport Snowed Up.

RECORDS AND STATISTICS.

a year memorable for its continuous fine weather; spring to autumn, it has at the close of the racing on been found necessary for the first time to abantite Manchester November necting. The officials at 9 a.m. yesterday on the Castel Irvell course, after consultation, reluctantly decided on the abantent.

WINNING OWNERS.

is, of course, Rock Sand, who wou we races, at the Jockey Club Stakes.

E. Loder's total is mainly made up of Pretty winnings, for without that peerless mare his te would have been under £1,000.

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	Horses.	Won.	Won.
Sir J. Miller	14	25	£27.928
Major E. Loder	3	11	19,899
Mr. L. de Rothschild	10	15	17,032
Duke of Portland	3	7	13.099
Lord Carnsryon	17	29	12,143
Lord Rosebery	4	10	10.122
Mr. F. Alexander	5	11	10.118
Mr. J. Musker	7	14	9.826
Mr. P. P. Gilpin	5	16	8,650
Mr. R. H. Henning	. 10	22	7,518
Lord H. de Walden	9	18	6,627
Sir E. Cassel	13	19	6,587
Lord Derby	7	12	6,424
Mr. A. P. Cunliffe		11	6.072

WINNING JOCKEYS.

WINNING JUCKETS.

For the fourth time O. Madden has headed the list of banding lockeys, his total of 161 being an excess of seven and the control of the con

Postn.	- Jockey-		Mounts.	Lost.	Won.
1	O. Madden		. 788	627	161
3	W. Lane		568	000	124
3	D. Maher		463 -	348	115
4	E. Wheat	ey	510 -	427	. 83
6	W. Halsey		502	499	83
6	A. Sharple		502	425	77
7	B. Dillon .		. 380	305	75
8	W. Griggs		650	584	66
9			642	581	61
20	H. Randall		303	250	53
11	W. Saxby		436	387	49
12	M. Cannon			282	47

WINNING TRAINERS.

An amateur trainer is at the head of the winning trainers' list, P. P. Gilpin claiming the honour of "Mr." before his name. He is an Irishman, of good family, and before he took the name of Gilpin was known as

Mr. Purcell. He has been in the Army, and was one of the best gentleman riders in Ireland.

So far as races won are concerned, the Baumber trainer W. E. Elsey comes out an easy first.

The Revision Street	Winning	Races	Stakes	
	Horses,	Won.	Won.	
Mr. P. P. Gilpin	17	44	£35,509 1	5
G. Blackwell	19	30		ŏ
T. Donton	10	18		ŏ
J. Porter	10			
P. Greusil	25	45		0
W. T. Robinson	18	41 .		0
J. Fallon	19	39	14,963	0
A. Hayhoe	4	5 .	14.566	0
P. Peck	7	17		ŏ
IT Decimand	10		11,104	ŏ
H. Braime	10	18		
Major Edwards	23	35		0
W. Elsey	40	79		0
A. J. Gilbert	-7	14		0
Mr. G. Lambton	14	25	9,311 1	5
R. Sherwood	21	35		0
A. Sadler, jun.	24	45		0
				ŏ
R. Marsh	15	21		
C. Brower	12	24		0
S. Darling	13	16		0
A. Taylor	14	27		0
Major Beatty	9	18	6,627	0
M D Peacock	19	31		0

WINNING HORSES.

Rock Sand, the triple crown hero of last year, is a he head of the winning horses; but had Pretty Poli on the Prix du Conseil Municipal in France she woul ave beaten him. St. Amant, who is a good third, on two races, but they were two of the most covete on two races, but they were two of the most covete

	Race	s won.	Stakes w	on.
	ROCK SAND (4yrs), b c, by Sainfoin- Roquebrune PRETTY POLLY (3yrs), ch f, by Gal-	5	£19,719	0
1	linule-Admiration	7	18,440	0
	ST. AMANT (3yrs), b c, by St. Frusquin -Lady Loverule	2	11,750	0
	DARLEY DALE (3yrs), b c, by St. Simon-Ismay CICERO (2yrs), ch c, by Cyllene-Gas	2 5	10,410 8,591	00
f	HENRY THE FIRST (3yrs), br c, by Malton-Simena	4	6,432	10
0	ZINFANDEL (4yrs), ch c, by Persimmon	5	4,984	0
1 0	ROBERT LE DIABLE (5yrs), br h, by	6	4,914	0
5	DELAUNAY (3yrs), ch c, by Fortunio	10	4,622	10
i	YPSILANTI (6yrs), b h, by Galore- Stefanctte	6	4,507	0
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THE WATERLOO CUP.

The following are the names of the subscribers for the Waterloo Cup, fixed to be run over Altear on Wed

Mr. F. Alexander.	y Mr. J. Bell Irving.
Mr. R. Anderton.	Sir R. Jardine.
Mr. H. Bednal.	Mr. R. W. B. Jardine.
Mr. J. H. Bibby,	Duke of Leeds.
Mr. H. Birkbeck.	Colonel McCalmont.
Mr. A. Brisco.	Mr. C. E. Marfleet.
Sir T. Brocklebank.	Lord Masham.
Mr. H. Brocklebank.	Mr. T. R. Marshall.
Mr. A. Browne.	Mr. R. V. Mather.
Mr. A. Brown.	Mr. H. T. Michels,
Colonel Bruce.	Mr. G. Mayall,
Mr. H. Charles.	Mr. A. T. Newbold.
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Mr. 12 Harbart	Mr. G. W. White.
Mr. E. Herbert, Colonel Holmes,	Mr. R. H. Whitworth.
Mr. A. J. Humphrey,	Mr. S. Hill Wood.

THE RUGBY GAME.

A Match of the Season-Richmond v. Blackheath.

I understand that the Richmond Athletic Ground autho-tities report the turf as having been well protected by the snow from the frost, and that Richmond v. Black-icath will for certain be played this afternoon.

neath will for certain be played this afternoon.

This natural protection of the ground by the snow is all very excellent up to a certain stage; but if it is freezing hard when the turf is uncovered this afternoon the frost will not take long to see into the ground. I do a consideration of the control of

Richmond will have the pull at balf-hack if Hancock and Butcher turn out, but Blackheth must not be undernated here if H. C. Jackson, of Exeter College, Ogford, comes to town to play. Jackson is an instance of a great player being up at the University without any clance of his "blue." I believe V. H. Catwright discovered Jackson, or, if not, he thinks very highly of him.

Harrison should certainly be put back again in the Middleex fixer.

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It is not much use writing about other fixures to-day, for last night there was not much chance of any Rudo'y in the provinces. Oxford and Cambridge at this period of the season are not likely to take any risks.

I was glad to see Castwright so fit and well at Richmond last Wednesday. His knees seem to be much stronger, and the control of the season are not needed in the Oxford match with Plymouth.

FOOTBALL FOR EVERYONE.

Final Round of F.A. Cup Qualifying Competition-Manchester at Leyton.

PROSPECTS OF THE TEAMS.

There is an extremely good fixture list for all classes of footballers, and it seems as though it would be run through on the only bad Saturday of the season so far, if weather forecasts go for anything.

In town there are three splendid League matches for

EVERTON AT PLUMSTEAD

youth has not done anything great since his sensational debut against Scheffed Wednesday.

Gray will partner Jacksion at Sack again if quite \$t\$, otherwise "Archie" Coss will fill the betth. The team, apart from this alteration, will fill the therth. The team, apart from this alteration, will fill the therth. The team, apart from this alteration, will fill the them. The team and the same as in recent matches, as Briccilife is will fill the tonvalescent.

Everton have several anateurs in their side, a welcome sign of the times. L. R. Roose will keep goal, and S. Advisorth will play at half-back. Both these and S. Advisorth will play at half-back. Both these are so popular that they are sure to be a big attraction. In addition, however, H. P. Hardman, the outside left, is an amateur who has more than an outside chance of gradient of the team. The same are so popular that they are sure to be a big attraction. The same are supported to the same and the same and the control of the same and the same and the same and the same are same and the same a

The other League matches were discussed by "Throstle" yesterday, and I have nothing to add to his story of the day's prospects.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Owing to Cup-ties only six Southern League matche are set for decision. There is a local "Derby" at Ful ham, where Brentiford will provide the sport. Brentifor will provide the sport. Brentifor will provide the sport. Brentifor will write the "Men of Kent' With partisans of both teams present in full force no even the great attraction at Plumstead will affect the gate, which is sure to be enormous. Both sides wan points badly. Both are stronger in defence than attachand both were becaten last Saturday.

strong forward, and this is just where Fulliam are weak. I expect to see Brentford win, but it will be a fine match.

The 'Spury, with the same side as visited Brighton last week, will journey to Luton. Not for a good many seasons have the Spurs been successful against Luton, and but for the fact that the Bedjordshire team has done so badly this year. I should expect to see them fail as obady this year I should expect to see them fail an apologising for his aedion last Shurday kelore he was sent off the field, but refused, and we may hear of a period of supension after next week's meeting of the FA. Luton played well against Miliwall last Saturday, but they are weak in front of goal.

The meeting of Portsmouth and Southampton is the match of the day in the competition. A few weeks ago it would have been a walkover for Southampton, but it would have been a walkover for Southampton, but "Pompey" have come on, and although Southampton its would have been a walkover for Southampton in the weeks ago it would have been a walkover for Southampton in the world have been a walkover for Southampton in the world have been a walkover for Southampton in the world have been a walkover for Southampton in the world have been a walkover for Southampton in the world have been a walkover for Southampton in the world have been a walkover for Southampton in the world have been a walkover for Southampton in the southern League, and West Ham have one of the the Southern League, and West Ham have one of the between "Highlie" Dunn, the Rovers' great back, and Simmons, the ca-West Brownich Albion left word.

Simmons, the ex-ivest Bromwith Albian left wing forward.

Reading, who have *

Reading, who have displayed a singular lapse from form during the last fortnight, entertian Plymouth Argyle. Somehow or other Reading seem to "flatter only to decirely" and secretal years they have looked like winning hope that they will win it this season; Southampton have had it to often for the good of the tournament. Plymouth will make Reading go all the way, but, all the same, Reading should win.

To-day is fraught with serious import to many fraught with serious indicated in the competition of playing to-day. I have vowed never again to talk about Daniell's "retirements" from football.

TOUCH JUDGE.

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First, Second, and Southern League clubs excused the qualifying competition altogether

AMATEUR SOCCER.

Corinthians v. Manchester United-Dunn Cup at Queen's Club.

I wanted to renew my acquaintance with that prince of outside right wines, Willie Meredith, and also with Livingstone, Ollespie, and Berrgess. But the United not beat them.

will no doubt make the Corinthians gallop, it use up not beat time.

But I have no fear that the Corinthians will not do themselves insuite. The outside will be R. G. Wright and E. S. Ward, and inside there is that classical trio—Sam Day, G. S. Harris, and Stanley Harris. They should be well served by Vickers, M. Morgan Owen, and H. A. Lowe at hall. Manchester United will have to show their best form to beat this lot.

The Queen's Club actate is mather Arthur Dana Cup-1e. I think Charterhouse abould come to its own this afteracon. The Old Foresters are not so good as they were some years ago. Indeed, the Dunn Cup this year looks a good thing for Old Malevenians, with Old Carthusians strongly in their wake.

Looking through the English Cup-ties, I do not expect that many amateur sides will remain after to-day's round. Civil Service may pull through, and Bishop Auchand certainly.

AMATEUR CUP DRAW.

The draw for the fourth round of the qualifying com-cition in the Northern Division has been made as fol-way, according to districts. The draw of the Con-Leadgate Park w. Seaham White Star or Eldon Albion. Scarborough or Skinning Grove Union v. West Hartle-

ool.
Sheffield Grasshoppers v. Hull Central Old Boys.
Ripon United, a bye.
Northern Nomads, a bye.
Long Eaton Victoria or Notts Magdala v. Notts Jarlines or Handsworth Oakheld.
To be played on December 10. Kick-off, 2.15.

WINNING SIRES.

The leading stallions are the sires of the first four animals in the "winning horses" list. Rock Sand is by Sainfoin, Pretty Polly by Gallinule, St. Amant by St. Frusquin, and Darley Dale by St. Simon.

It is understood that the question of settling over double-event wagers where previous winners had been taken in conjunction with the Manchester November Handicap candidate will be referred to the committee of Tattersalls.

ORTHERN UNION PROSPECTS

een Struggle Expected at Oldham-Champions at Wigan.

DEWSBURY TO PLAY AGAIN.

Sow that Yorkshire has achieved her ambition, and, or many days, once more placed the Northern Union in the force competition centring round the denthing of the League table. Parenthetically, one yolfer congratulations to the White Rose county on ordered against them in three matches, whereas they maches have scored forty-four.

1 is well that howevers of this kind should go round, it would be to the sum of the sum

Satisfaction has been created at Wigan by the re-roduction of Barr, a local man, into the home three-cries line.

out duty against Leigh have been aropped in favour Hall and Banks.

Salford greatly pleased their friends last week by their play against Home and the last string in the royal record and the colleagues, however, can hope trummh over Widnes to-day by a big effort, for the raical team performed capitally at Broughton, and selying on the same team as against the Kangers.

Broughton are again resorting to changes for their ten with Runeron, Wilson making a popular reappeare, and Harry, the Lancashire county cricketer, is makered to half-back.

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Bradford: Bradford City v. West Bromwich Albien,
Bristol: Bristol City v. Deneaster Rovers.
Chesterfield: Chesterfield v. Burnley.
Lincoln: Lincoln City v. Barnsley.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE. Southampton: Southampton v. Portsmouth,
Weltingborough: Wellingborough: Brentford,
Beating: Reading v. Pilymouth Argile,
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New Brompton: New Brompton v. Queené è Perk Rangurs.

Division II. Homerton: Clapton Orient v. Fulham Reserves. Grays: Grays United v. Watford Reserves.

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Glasgow: Third Lanagk v. Heart of Midlothian.
Edinburgh: Hilternians v. Klimarmock.
Paistey: St. Mirren v. Queen's Park.
Port Glasgow: Port Glasgow v. Dundee.
Motherwell: Motherwell v. Partick Thistle.
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Tottenham: Tottenham Hotspur Reserves v. Luton Toyn.
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Enrentford: Brentford Reserves v. Woolwich Arsenslesoves.

Willieden: Willesden Town v. West Ham Reserves.

Millwall: Millwall Reserves v. Legton.

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Maidstone: Maidstone v. Ashlord.

Tunbridge Wells: Tunbridge Wells Rangers v. Faversham.

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Woulvich: Woodford: Woodford v. West Bampsten

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AMATEUR CUP.-Third Round: Replayed Ties.

Bromley: Bromley 7. Oroydon. Lowestoft: Lowestoft Town v. Kirkley.

ARTHUR DUNN CUP.
Queen's Club: Old Forceters v. Old Carthusians.

Lyton: Corinthians v. Manchester United, Laverpool: Leverpool v. Mirvalled, Laverpool: Leverpool v. Mirvalled, Laverpool: Leverpool v. Mirvalled, Laugrove: Oxford tanverrity v. G. O. Smith's XI, Pffronti Parti: Casuals v. Odd Malvernians, M. r.ouv: Martiow v. Malienhead, Glough: Slough v. Dower Parti.

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Wignn: Wigns v. Bridford.
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Swinton: Swinton v. Hull.
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